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Drive-By Voting



Photo: Rick Genhar

Election workers load ballot boxes in front of the Registrar of Voters at Third and Folsom sts. Tuesday evening as colleagues collect more ballots from drivers. Computer snafus delayed any meaningful election results until past midnight, and candidates and supporters were left to speculate on the fates of various races and propositions until firm figures could be confirmed Wednesday morning.

Election Wrap-Up:

Achtenberg, Smith Lose In SF; Fundies Lose in Maine

by Wayne Friday

Former Assembly Speaker Willie Brown and current Mayor Frank Jordan are headed for a December 12 run-off to see who will be San Francisco's next mayor. Voters Tuesday gave veteran Sacramento lawmaker Brown 34.9 percent of the vote and a first-place finish, while Mayor Jordan polled second at 32.3 percent. Former supervisor and Clinton HUD official Roberta Achtenberg was a strong third with 28.2 percent. Over 52 percent of San Francisco's registered voters went to the polls, and at press time, over 30,000 absentee votes still remained uncounted, though none of the results are expected to change because of this.

Achtenberg, the first openly homosexual candidate to make a run at the mayor's office, immediately threw her support to Brown during her concession speech. With Achtenberg's support and his first-place finish, Brown's chances of unseating Jordan appeared to be gaining momentum. A fourth candidate, Republican Ben Hom, despite spending a small fortune of his own money,

managed only 2.9 percent of the vote.

In an upset, District Attorney Arlo Smith, trying for a fifth four-year term, was beaten by both former Assistant District Attorney Bill Fazio and Supervisor Terence Hallinan. Hallinan was a surprise first with 39.1 percent, then Fazio with 35.1 percent, and Smith trailed with 25.7 percent. The liberal Hallinan and the conservative Fazio will also meet in a December 12 run-off.

Incumbent Sheriff Mike Hennessey easily outpolled two minor candidates to win a fourth term.

Of the county propositions, Propositions A (City Hall Improvements), C (Steinhart Aquarium), D (Suspend Prevailing Wage Rule), E (New City Charter), F (Youth Commission), G (Office of Citizen Complaints), J (Muni Audit) and N (Supervisors' Campaign Reform) all passed. Propositions B (Underground Storage Tank Bonds), H (Parking and Traffic), I (Taxicabs), M (Mayor's Campaign Reform) and O (Army Street Referendum) went down to defeat.

In other elections across the country, an anti-gay rights initiative in Maine was nar-

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Harassment, Deadly Weapon Assaults Alleged at Pasqua

Worker Fears HIV Seroconversion After Forced Sex

by Dennis Conkin

The manager of a popular Castro district retail coffee outlet demanded that a prospective worker orally copulate him in order to be hired and retain his job at the site, according to allegations detailed in a same-sex sexual harassment lawsuit filed Wednesday, November 1

in San Francisco Superior Court.

A police crime incident report has also been filed in connection with the alleged assault with a deadly weapon, because the manager revealed that he suffered from HIV infection only after he had coerced the sex act and ejaculated in the HIV-negative worker's mouth, according to the worker's attorney.

The multi-million dollar lawsuit was filed by the Law Offices of Paul Wotman on behalf of former 18th Street Pasqua Coffee outlet worker Mark Meier, 36, who was constructively discharged by the firm several weeks after he complained about the harassment, according to the suit.

Meier has been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, a psychiatric condition that is common among sexual abuse survivors, and is currently disabled, according to Wotman.

The suit seeks damages for lost income, emotional distress, and punitive damages.

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Walker House Meets Contract, Say Activists

by Mary Ann Swissler

A longstanding dispute could be drawing to a close between East Bay AIDS housing activists and officials at Walker House, a home for late-stage HIV-infected clients in Oakland. HIV/AIDS agencies and PWAs have complained for more than a year that fewer than half of the ten beds funded with a \$230,000 Ryan White Title I grant were

being filled, culminating in countercharges leveled by officials at the East Oakland facility, but both sides now seem to be in agreement, the *Bay Area Reporter* has learned.

The increased number of clients has increased, in part due to discussions initiated between the Berkeley Community Law Center and Walker House officials in August, about ways to bring the facility into

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Photo: Jane Philmon Clend

The Pasqua Coffee Cafe at 4094 18th St. in the Castro.

Castro BofA Robbed

by Dennis Conkin

An unidentified man walked into the Castro Street branch of the Bank of America Monday, November 6, handed a teller a stick-up note, and left with an undisclosed amount of cash, according to San Francisco police.

Immediately after the teller gave the man the undisclosed sum of cash, and pushed an alarm, the robber walked out the door and disappeared without a trace.

Mission Station Castro beat patrol officer Dennis Tomason told the *Bay Area Reporter* the suspect is described as a white male, about 40 years old, 5' 10" tall and about 150 pounds, with dark but slightly graying hair. He was wearing a baseball cap and sunglasses during the theft.

No weapon was used in the heist, according to Tomason, who was the first officer to respond to the scene of the crime.

The suspect is believed to be responsible for other similar bank robberies, since he was knowledgeable about methods of identifying marked cash packets and able to vanish quickly from the scene.

"He disappeared," Tomason said. "It's possible that he went into a storefront - or could have even hopped the bus."

Bank of America spokesperson Harvey Raden told the *Bay Area Reporter* that it was the policy of the bank not to comment on such incidents.

He told the *B.A.R.* he did not recall if the 501 Castro branch had been robbed before.

He also said the incidence of bank robberies has gone down in California within the last year. ▼

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The third molars are called "Wisdom" Teeth because they generally erupt between age 17 and 21 when a person reaches adulthood. When they are in proper alignment, the wisdom teeth can be a valuable asset. When they do not come in properly, however, these teeth may need to be removed. If the jaw is not large enough to accommodate the wisdom teeth, they can become impacted and unable to move into their proper position. They may grow sideways, emerge only partially from the gum, or remain trapped beneath the gum and bone. It may be necessary to extract them in such cases to protect the overall health of the adjacent teeth and the mouth.

There are fewer complications in wisdom teeth removal before age 20, but even after that, the sooner the better. Impacted wisdom teeth which continue to grow without sufficient room can damage adjacent healthy teeth, and result in crooked teeth or an incorrect bite. In addition, they can create difficult areas to keep clean and cause decay or gum infections. Be sure to ask how your wisdom teeth are doing at your next dental visit.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Charges Filed In Starlight Moving Case

by Mary Ann Swissler

The gay former owner of Starlight Moving and Storage company faces misdemeanor charges of operating without necessary permits or insurance coverage, arising from more than 400 illegal moves before he sold the business in the summer of 1994.

Maximum penalty on each count is \$1,000 and three months in jail, according to Public Utilities Commission investigator Curtis Jung.

An investigation by the California Public Utilities Commission, the regulating agency for moving and storage firms, also resulted in charges against the former Starlight owner, San Francisco resident Albert Jenkins, for false advertising. Investigators established that Jenkins listed himself as a licensed and insured mover in newspaper advertisements for Starlight, according to Jung, when his license had been suspended in July 1993 and revoked three months later.

In a statement released last week, District Attorney Arlo Smith said, "The CPUC investigation shows that Jenkins earned more than \$100,000 in profits during [1994]. Many of his storage victims assumed he was storing their personal items safely in his facilities. They were dismayed when they found out he had been evicted from the Third Street location and their goods were gone. His customers said



Ed Smith.

they found empty vaults, and no information about what had happened to their often precious belongings.

"To make matters worse, they told us they had been paying storage fees in good faith to Jenkins although their goods were no longer in storage. We will be seeking restitution for these customers."

Jenkins told the *Bay Area Reporter* he will plead not guilty to all charges.

He said the company that bought Starlight wound up being evicted from its 5700 Third Street storage site, and maintained that

the company was responsible for any missing items. He characterized the lack of insurance coverage as an "honest error" during the sale process.

One victim lost \$1,000

San Francisco resident Ed Smith — no relation to the D.A. — told the *B.A.R.* that while he was able to retrieve all but approximately \$1,200 in goods stored with Starlight, he faults PUC investigators and the D.A.'s office for not moving quicker on felony theft charges against Jenkins.

Jung denied any foot-dragging, saying, "It would have been nice to file it right away and get another 20 to 30 counts," but it took time to piece together evidence before filing formal charges against Jenkins. Unfortunately, he said, not everyone could be immediately contacted and not everyone was willing to come forward.

Also, Jung said, the evidence did not support felony charges.

Ed Smith told the *B.A.R.* the D.A.'s office advised him to file against Jenkins in small claims court.

Jenkins, who works as vice president and general manager for the company that owns the Galleon Supper Club, explained his position after charges were announced. "I don't think it's fair," he told the *B.A.R.*

"How do I plead? Not guilty. I don't think there's anything more I can say." ▼

Castro Lesbian Merchants To Move After Dispute

by Dennis Conkin

Unusualia, a store specializing in drag accessories, collectibles, gifts, artworks, and antiques, must seek a new location in the middle of January, following its eviction in a months-long landlord-tenant dispute.

Unusualia owners Sammi Freed and Leslie Hassberg have operated the shop, located at 2354 Market Street in the Castro neighborhood, since the beginning of the year.

"We had a wonderful Halloween. We are the one and only store in the Castro that caters to the drag community, and we are really sorry that we will have to leave," Freed told the *Bay Area Reporter*.

Freed said that while other retail venues will sell to drag queens and stock drag merchandise for profit, Unusualia welcomed and loved gender-benders of all persuasions, whether men looking for just the right dress or women who liked to wear boxer shorts and suits.

"We were there for the diversity," she said, "and we are really sorry."

Unfortunately, Freed told the *Bay Area Reporter*, the couple has been continually harassed by other tenants at the location.

In addition, Hassberg complained, the couple had been subjected to anti-Semitic and "fat dyke" taunts by other tenants.

A complaint was filed with the Anti-Defamation League concerning the alleged anti-Semitic comments, according to ADL executive director Anastasia Steinberg.

"I believe allegations were



The Un-usual-a shop on Market Street near Castro.

made on both sides," Steinberg told the *Bay Area Reporter*. The person accused of making the anti-Semitic statements is also Jewish.

According to Freed, the biggest dispute with the landlord is over disagreements about Unusualia's signage and a storefront gate that led to the second floor site.

The pair told the *B.A.R.* they

frequently discovered the gate had been chained closed, preventing customers from entering; once, Freed said, the gate was intentionally locked while a customer was inside the store, and the only method of egress was through a back stair.

For five months Freed and Hassberg have withheld rent from the landlord over the issue, which still remains in litigation. ▼

Don Johnson Dies at 46

by Dennis Conkin

Don Johnson, whose extraordinary talent as a producer raised millions of dollars for Bay Area AIDS and gay organizations, died peacefully of AIDS at his home the night of Friday, November 3. He was 46.

Born in Alhambra, California in 1949, Johnson was a versatile and talented performer. He moved to San Francisco in 1978 and attended the American Conservatory Theatre, but soon discovered that he loved producing more than performing.

In the early 1980s Johnson founded Sterling Productions and began a legacy of assistance to scores of community groups and agencies including the AIDS Emergency Fund; the Center For AIDS Services; AIDS Project of Contra Costa County; Maitri AIDS Hospice; Shanti Project; the San Francisco AIDS Foundation; the Women's Cancer Resource Cen-

ter; Horizons Foundation; Gay Games; the Lesbian and Gay Chorus; and other groups.

Johnson also served on the Board of Directors of the AIDS Emergency Fund and on the honorary board of the Cable Car Awards.

"Don was such an inspiration," said former AEF president Rick Salinas. "He was a hard worker who had an instinct about people that was amazing. And he had such great creativity and compassion."

Like all artists, Johnson could be temperamental and did not suffer fools gladly, Salinas said, but "he had a great heart and if he was your friend, you had no better friend."

Johnson's productions included "You and The Night and the Music," a memorable evening of cabaret at the Fairmont; "Twenty-two on the Red," an evening of casino gaming, dancing and entertainment; the *Bay Area Reporter's* 1989 benefit San Francisco Opera

production of the Kirov Ballet in *Sleeping Beauty*; the 1991 American Ballet Theatre AIDS benefit for the *Bay Area Reporter's* 20th anniversary; and numerous other events.

'Put the pieces together'

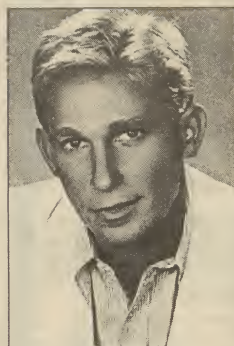
In acknowledgment of his outstanding community service Johnson was named co-grand marshal of the 1992 Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade, an honor he said left him embarrassed.

"I'm really quite embarrassed about this grand marshal business," he said in an interview with *Examiner* columnist Stephanie Salter.

"I mean as clichéd as this may be, I've done absolutely nothing but put the pieces together."

In the last few months of his life, Johnson knew great peace, according to his close friend John Gutierrez.

"Don suffered no pain and went peacefully on to new endeavors. In the last months, Don knew great



Don Johnson.

peace by embracing the spirituality he expressed through his life," Gutierrez said.

Johnson was preceded in death by an older brother who died of AIDS in 1985.

Memorial services will be private, but contributions to Kairos Support For Caregivers are requested. ▼

Tenderloin Activist Bob Hawes Dies at 62

by Dennis Conkin

Longtime Tenderloin gay community leader and activist Bob Hawes died of complications of AIDS at Kaiser Hospital on Sunday, November 5. He was 62.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Hawes had lived in San Francisco since 1968 and worked for Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation since 1986.

Hawes was the beloved manager of Civic Center Residence, a unique McAllister Street residential hotel in the Tenderloin that provides supported independent housing to 200 low-income residents, many of whom have physical or mental disabilities or are in recovery from homelessness or substance abuse problems.

During his lifetime, Hawes served on the boards of directors of Central City Hospitality House, Swords To Plowshares, numerous AIDS organizations, and the Heritage Foundation. He was also active in founding the Tenderloin After School Program, an activity program for Tenderloin children.

An inspiration to countless recovering alcoholics and drug addicts throughout San Francisco and around the country, Hawes was proud of his 27 years of sobriety from alcoholism.

Hawes was instrumental in the founding of Living Sober, an annual event that draws thousands of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in recovery from around the world to San Francisco for three days of workshops and conferences and socializing.

Hawes was also a well-known benefactor and supporter of local arts and music efforts, particularly the San Francisco Opera and its Merola Opera program for young singers.

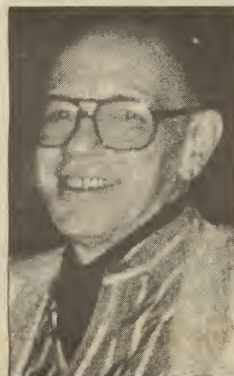
As a young man, Hawes studied at the New England Conservatory of Music, which kindled his love of opera and launched a close 20 year friendship with opera diva Jessye Norman.

Hawes also sponsored several young opera singers on their way to international careers, including Delora Zajic and Laura Clay-

comb.

A celebration of Hawes's life will be held on Wednesday, November 15 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Civic Center Residence, located at 44 McAllister Street.

Contributions to the Bob Hawes Memorial Fund, which helps Tenderloin children and tenants, are requested to Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation at 201 Eddy Street, San Francisco CA 94102. ▼



Bob Hawes.

Gays Targeted by New Virus?

by Mike Salinas

Gay America Online users may be the target of a new computer virus now being sent across the Internet. The Federal Communications Commission released a warning last Wednesday, November 1 about e-mail messages with the subject line "Good Times," which the agency suggests should be deleted, immediately and unread. According to cautionary notes posted by some gay AOL members last week, the "Good Times" message contains a computer virus that is unparalleled in its destructive capability.

What makes the virus so fearsome, the FCC said, is that it can be spread through the existing e-mail systems of the Internet – and no program needs to be exchanged for a new computer to be infected. Once infection occurs, several things can happen. If the computer contains a hard drive, that will probably be destroyed. If the program is not stopped, the

computer's processor will be placed in an nth-complexity infinite binary loop that can severely damage the processor if left running that way too long. Unfortunately, most novice computer users will not realize what is happening until it is far too late.

So far what is now known as the "Good Times" virus always travels to new computers the same way, in a text e-mail message with the subject line reading simply "Good Times." The act of loading the file into the mail server's ASCII buffer causes the "Good Times" malware program to initialize and execute. The program is highly intelligent; it will send copies of itself to everyone whose e-mail address is contained in a received-mail file or a sent-mail file, if it can find one. It will then proceed to trash the computer it is running on.

Any Internet user who receives a file with the subject line "Good Times" should delete it immediately without reading it. ▼

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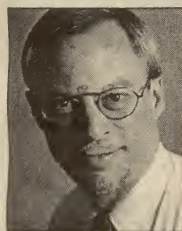
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Anti-Curfew March Attracts 250

SF Youth Are Revolting

by E.G.G. Allen

Last Friday, November 3, some 250 students of various backgrounds, races, and sexual orientations staged a protest in San Francisco against Proposition H, the proposed curfew law.

Proposition H would allow police officers to stop and question anyone under the age of 18 who is out past 11 p.m. on a school night or past midnights on weekends and holidays. Any youth who is unable to provide proof of a parent's permission to be after that time may be taken to a detention facility until their parents can be contacted and given a time to pick them up.

The one-mile march leading from Yerba Buena center to Civic Center Plaza was organized and led by youth under the age of 19, and it showed. The rap music they chose to play at the post-march rally referred to such subjects as AIDS, education, history, and poverty, and served to proclaim their determination to challenge and change an unjust system that they believe is cheating them out of a decent future.

The curfew proposed by Proposition H was criticized as another means of controlling pre-selected sectors of the population, and was therefore considered another policy of abuse and neglect created by the Jordan administration, which was also blamed by speakers for the present conditions faced by people of color, gays and lesbians, and homeless San Franciscans.

Youth leader and activist Jesus Proval told the *B.A.R.* he feared that because the city does not have the money to make the curfew citywide, police will concentrate on oppressed communities where black and Hispanic youth live.

A bisexual transgender female at the rally who called herself Youth Ex told the *B.A.R.* she be-



Photo: E.G.G. Allen

Vocal minority: Young San Franciscans go on the record against Prop. H.

lieves the curfew will not only provide the police with an excuse to harass ethnic minorities, but also gay/lesbian and transgender youth. She said the curfew will provide police officers a perfect excuse for signaling out both minority and gay/lesbian youth for harassment.

As she put it, "It will give them the ability to mess up our lives just because they don't like who we are."

Ariel, a teacher at an alternative high school, agreed the curfew is just another means of attempting to control the have-nots of San Francisco. By disempowering the youth of disadvantaged or low-income families and subjecting them to police harassment, she said the Jordan administration manages to reinforce the upper classes' illusion that there is nothing to worry about, and that they are still in control of society.

Proval complained that instead of providing youth with alternatives, such as nightclubs for 14- to 18-year-olds or other activities that would keep minors off the streets, the administration would rather waste taxpayers' money trying to enforce a curfew that will have no effect on cutting down crime.

"If crime is the problem," he said, "then solve the problem by providing meaningful jobs and serious training programs; allow us to become empowered by being able to organize ourselves into committees that will seek to solve our problems; then provide those committees with funding and support."

The youths of today are the future of tomorrow, he said, and they must take control of their future. ▼

Gay Downhill Ski Club Open to All Skill Levels

by Mary Ann Swissler

Seven trips through winter wonderlands of the Western United States are being planned by the Skiers and Gay Athletes (SAGA) North Ski Club in San Francisco.

While the sign-up process has already begun, there is still some room available. Trips are centered around downhill skiing, said SAGA spokesman Randy Soohoo, but the approximately 130 members represent a wide range of abilities and all interested parties are welcome.

Beginning with the Squaw Valley Ski Trip from December 1-3,

the schedule is as follows: Holiday Party on December 15; North Star Ski Trip from January 5-7; Kirkwood Ski Trip from January 19-21; Aspen Gay Ski Trip from January 27 to February 3; Alpine Meadows Ski Trip from February 23-25; Jackson Hole, Wyoming Ski Trip from February 29 to March 4; and a Heavenly Valley Ski Trip from March 29-31.

A fashion show, dessert bash, wine tasting, and end-of-season potluck are also scheduled. ▼

Call (415) 995-2772 for registration and further information.



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SAGA's November fashion show.

Larkin Street Center Benefit on Wednesday

by Mary Ann Swissler

The youth center that strives to get the lives of at-risk youth pointed in the right direction — or at least, any direction away from the streets — is receiving a boost from the BMW of San Francisco and Kabuki Theater. The GoldenEye Party at BMW of San Francisco, located at 1675 Howard Street, will be the site of a fundraiser scheduled for Wednesday, November 15 to benefit the nationally recognized

Larkin Street Youth Center.

Included in the evening's entertainment will be casino-style gambling, a Nordstrom fashion show, and dinner by Taste Catering. Stogies and martinis are also planned for the affair, which is set to run from 7 to 10 p.m. Two hundred raffle tickets will be drawn for a special screening of the latest James Bond movie, *GoldenEye*, the next night.

Larkin Street has ten programs designed to provide shel-

ter, vocational training, and counseling to the nearly 2,000 teenagers living on the streets of San Francisco, and has been recognized for its work by the United States Congress, Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights Foundation, the San Francisco AIDS Office, and the San Francisco Foundation. ▼

For more information call 863-9000, ext. 216, or 673-0911.

Cliff Wilson Receives AIDS Service Award

by John Iversen

Cliff Wilson, "a person with AIDS who has been a tireless advocate in Alameda County since he moved to Hayward in 1992," in the words of Alameda County AIDS Director Eugene Richards, received the county's 1995 HIV/AIDS Community Services Award at an October 26 ceremony.

As Richards observed at the presentation, held at the California Ballroom in downtown Oakland, Wilson "joined the AIDS Advisory Board in June, 1992 at the urging of Hayward Mayor Roberta Cooper. Soon thereafter he joined the Ryan White Title II Consortium. In early 1993 he began service on the Ryan White Title I Planning Council."

In 1994, Wilson dedicated himself to the cause of AIDS housing in Alameda County. He joined the South County Neighborhood Advisory board and became the face of AIDS in Hayward. His efforts convinced AIDS housing opponents to appear before the County Board and testify in favor of a six-bedroom supportive AIDS house in San Lorenzo.

Wilson, using a cane, BARTed to Berkeley on numerous occasions to testify in favor of the controversial Rose House. He was honored by the nonprofit developer, Resources for Community Development, for his continuous and unequivocal support of both projects.

"I've been pushing for housing for people with AIDS in South County ever since I moved here," he said. "People around here are in denial. But there are 600 to 800 people living with AIDS in South County - 100 in Hayward alone."

Personal experience

Wilson has direct experience with the problems of finding decent housing faced by PWAs: he got a Section 8 certificate in January, 1993 only to find there was no nearby bus service after 6 p.m. and that many of his neighbors were drug dealers. "A crank lab blew up across the street," he recalled.

"We had to move."

Katharine Gale, who works in Alameda County's Housing Development office, had nothing but praise for Wilson. "In addition to anything else that Cliff has done and all of the boards that he's been recognized for sitting on, he also sat on a review panel for HOPWA and on the countywide community group putting together the AIDS housing plan. Today Cliff asked me for a draft copy to read so he could comment before anyone, and I know he will. He's recognized the importance of housing and not only the housing resources that we have in HOPWA, but expanding to greater resources in Section 8 making more certificates available to PWAs. We're lucky to have Cliff working with us."

Cliff is also a computer wizard, and continues to help AIDS organizations and ailing peoples set up systems for free. He found the New Big Board computer services on AIDS topics, and even from his wheelchair at the ceremony (he recently broke his leg), he offered to help anyone computer troubleshoot.

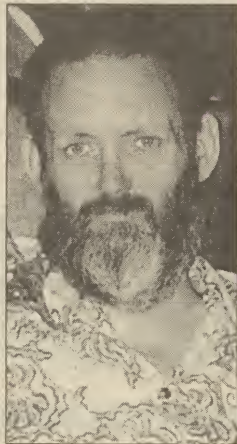
No stranger to the spotlight and politics, Wilson appeared on Dave Garraway's *Today Show* in 1967 with his then-boss, former

Oregon anti-war Senator Wayne Morris. Wilson worked summers during college for Morris, one of two Senators who voted against the 1964 Gulf of Tonkin Resolution that started the Vietnam War. Senator Morris's office became one of the first to be computerized, due to Wilson's foresight and expertise.

Cliff is also no stranger to suffering. "I've had so many life-threatening medical problems before AIDS: a heart attack, encephalitis, meningitis," he said.

Over 20 members of the Alameda County AIDS community, including this writer, were nominated for the award. In the past few years no one has been more self-effacing and self-sacrificing in the struggle for AIDS services than native Californian Cliff Wilson.

In his own words, "I plan to crawl, walk, or otherwise into the year 2000. I don't want to see another generation die of AIDS." ▼



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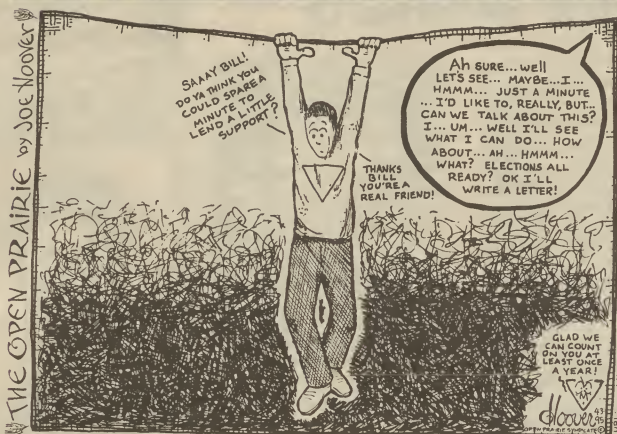
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EDITORIAL

The Maine Question

Votes are still being counted at presstime, but most of the important facts about Election '95 are known. Both the mayor's race and the district attorney's race will go on until December, to the surprise of absolutely nobody. Perhaps by that time the city and county of San Francisco will have learned how to get ballots out, and then in, and then counted.

The most entertaining part of the longer-than-usual-which-is-already-longer-than-anyone-should-have-to-survive coverage on Tuesday night was the sight of a fuming Supervisor Angela Alioto promising to roll heads through the registrar's office. "When you only have one job to do, and it's only on one night a year," she said, "you should do it right." How true.

Speaking of doing a job right — albeit a very, very difficult one — a special congratulation is due the exemplary Sheriff Mike Hennessey, who won his reelection campaign as decisively and cleanly as he deserved.

By far the best news of the night came from three time zones away, as another anti-gay "Son of Amendment 2" ballot measure went down to defeat. The forces of evil who worked to get the awful "Question 1" passed in Maine eventually lost in the face of determined opposition — and not only from gay and lesbian people.

The governor, Chamber of Commerce, and eventually even the Catholic Diocese of Maine joined in the chorus of disapproval for Question 1. (While that doesn't make up for the Vatican's policy of name-calling — remember, gays and lesbians are "intrinsically evil" in the church's official view — it does make the Catholic influence seem a little less malevolent.)

By the end of the campaign voters were able — despite ridiculous predictions by some Mainiac named Carolyn Cosby, of heterosexuals'

"forced indoctrination" into a gay lifestyle — to see we are no threat. Certainly not when compared with the people on the far right who were making those claims.

Cosby is the leader of the Question 1 backers, a group that calls itself "Concerned Maine Families," and we fear she may be unaware of how hilarious she and her notion are. Although we agree that much of America, and particularly people in so-called concerned families, could use some gay indoctrination — "This is Pomo Afro Homo; this is industrial gray carpeting; this is AbFab. Now keep these flashcards and memorize them!" — we frankly don't know anybody who thinks the limited chance of success would be worth the effort.

Actually, we are amused by the idea of all those Maine voters — a goodly number of whom are farmers — voting for indoctrination. After all, it's obvious the old indoctrinations aren't serving this country terribly well. More likely, they were aware that Cincinnati (which calls its Question 1 "Issue 3") has lost some \$24 million in convention revenue this year for being so bigoted, and that Maine's multi-billion dollar tourism industry could have been wrecked by support for institutionalized discrimination.

It's nice when the right thing to do ethically meshes so completely with the right thing to do economically.

Soon, of course, the United States Supreme Court will rule on the granddaddy of homophobic ballot measures, Amendment 2, affecting the future of present Issue 3s and future Question 1s. We can only hope the Justices will be as smart as Maine voters.

In the meantime, anyone who would like indoctrination into the gay lifestyle will just have to sign up at the Harvey Milk Institute and pay for it, like everyone else. ▼

GUEST OPINION

Humored in Uniform

by Mike Rankin,
D. Capt., M.C., U.S.N.R.

On Monday, October 23, the President's Gay and Lesbian Advisory Group met with senior Administration staff at the White House.

Our number included the executive directors of most of the national gay/lesbian/bisexual organizations — the Human Rights Campaign; National Gay and Lesbian Task Force; Servicemembers Legal Defense Fund; the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association; and representatives of organizations of gay and lesbian federal employees, African-Americans, and teenagers, among others.

I attended in uniform, as an openly gay Navy Reserve Officer. For all the many flaws with "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," it felt safe to do so in the Clinton White House.

It was a remarkable thing, watching men embrace men, and women embrace women, as we gathered in the West Wing foyer. White House staff — including security guards — were warm and welcoming. There wasn't a glove in sight.

The meeting itself was frank, open, and productive. We discussed the importance of Medicaid fund to people living with HIV/AIDS (the President promised to veto the bill if these funds are inadequate, or cut altogether by the Congress).

Attorney Matt Coles of the Gay/Lesbian Division of the ACLU brought the staff up-to-date on the status of state anti-gay initiatives, especially in Maine. We were told the President opposes these initiatives, and wants to help defeat them. We suggested ways he could do so.

Matt also spoke of the possible passage of the Hawaii gay/lesbian marriage bill, and the impact on federal policy toward married couples if it does. Among other things, gay couples will be able to file income tax returns as a couple. Other agencies will be affected as well. Get ready!

Those of us who have counseled the victims of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" made an impassioned plea to end the witch hunts still taking place in the military. The policy itself is bad enough, we told them. At least stop homophobic commanding officers from making it worse! The response was reassuring, but we'll keep attacking the policy and its implementation in the courts, until it goes the way of other vestiges of bigotry in the military.

The Advisory Group will meet again at the White House after the holidays, and with some frequency thereafter. It's good to have a gay/lesbian liaison in the White House, particularly one like Marsha Scott, who has access to the Oval Office, and whose advocacy led to the President's support for the Employee Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA). We applaud her efforts on our behalf, even as we realize ultimately we have to win our rights for ourselves.

Riding the bus to Dulles Airport on Tuesday morning, some of us were recapping the meeting. A man in the seat in front of me identified himself as a long-time member of the Log Cabin Republican Club.

"Clinton offers us nothing," he assured us. "But Colin Powell — now there's the man we should support. The only thing he's done against gay people is keep Clinton from ending the ban against gays in the military. And now he's agreed to meet with Log Cabin! Isn't that great!"

We remained silent for the rest of the ride. Sometimes there just are no words. ▼

LETTERS

Playing the blame game

Supervisor Ammiano, get over it! Your whining letter to the B.A.R. (10/19) is just perpetuating the damage done to this community by your insistence on vindication. By your own and CUAV's admission, the procedures and program were changed in reaction to the incident. Obviously there had to be something inappropriate (changing the grade level from 6 to 8, and honoring an immediate exemption, are hardly "minor" changes). I would like to believe you when you say what was alleged didn't happen. But for argument's sake, would you and CUAV bring yourselves to condemn the incident if it actually did happen? I think not, and that is the rub. Painting this broadly as some homophobic conspiracy is irresponsible demagoguery.

I resent your implications that all the press was unfounded, exaggerated, or motivated by right-wing homophobia. My *Chronicle* letter to the editor ("Shame On Us," 9/29) was one of those that expressed outrage over this "unfortunate" incident. Your experience as a teacher and Board of Education trustee is and has not been hardly unique, and it certainly doesn't qualify you to speak as the de facto expert, or as the designated representative of our community. This inability to admit to poor judgment, and identify inappropriate behavior, smacks of Political Correctness.

Already the incident is being exploited by the right wing across this country as proof of "our" agenda (whatever that is!). There have been references to it on many of the radio talk shows, and the recent defeat of a popular openly gay Des Moines Iowa Board of Education member is evidence of how it can be used effectively. As a community, we need to publicly disavow association/approval of this isolated incident as truly representative of our community, whether it happened or not! While you and CUAV continue to play semantics and the blame game, our community is taking a political beating for something many of us have reservations about.

Gene Dermody
San Francisco

Republican madness

[The following letter was sent to Governor Pete Wilson:]

Thank goodness your bid for the presidency failed, as your hate towards immigrants would have disgraced the office of presidency if your bid had been successful.

To use the Statue of Liberty as background to your hate-mongering speech against immigrants was an insult to all the immigrants who saw the Statue of Liberty as a symbol of freedom and a better way of life when they immigrated in the late 19th Century/early 20th Century. Many still feel that way about that beloved statue! My grandparents immigrated to the USA from Italy in 1906 and made a great life here. I suppose you were born in a wigwam and never had ancestors who immigrated.

Let us hope that all this hate that you and other politicians like you are spreading these days will soon be over! Hopefully your bid for reelection as Governor will not be successful after your disastrous bid for the presidency! One can see why these "hate" terrorists are beginning to fulfill their fantasies with explosives and derailments! You and the Christian Right keep fostering hate in the USA and bring about a lot of deep-rooted feelings of hate and ignorance.

Let's hope we can get through this Republican madness just as we did the Nixon years, the Reagan years, and the McCarthy years!

Gennaro A. DeVito
Oakland, CA

Slaves to the id

Promiscuity - so many in our community see it as an indication of psychological health/being 'fully alive.' With the HIV virus mutating toward increased atmospheric viability with every new anti-viral drug approved and implemented (ask the Microbiology and Immunology Department at UCSF if you doubt; unfortunately, they'll confirm), it's surprising that care-free 'iding' should be so deemed. Random close sexual contact doesn't seem to have much to do with remaining fully alive in 1995; that is, if not dying a slow, agonizingly painful death continues to fit the standard definition of 'fully alive.'

Why not courageously begin the real psychological aliveness of examining your part in the last time your heart was broken? Could be it was someone who gave up on closeness and opted for the control of sexually manipulative distance - long before you did. Instead of addictive, empty sex with someone who means little to you, pick up the ball again. Swearing to find intimacy and monogamy requires self-mastery - and saying, "Screw you, fuck-story 'locker room' friends and Catholic Church; I'll jack off when I need to!"

Nude touch in our community seldom means real closeness. We can grieve that silently when we grieve those we've lost forever to a geographically magnetic gay mecca that promotes a healthy, well-adjusted promiscuity.

Peter Black
Fairfax, CA

Virtual silence

Imagine. Many hundreds of thousands from all over the country peacefully assemble at the Mall in Washington, and their numbers are grossly underestimated by the National Park Service. A recount is demanded.

1995? No, 1993. Back then, calls for a recount were ignored - perhaps because it was the lesbian and gay March on Washington.

And unlike the well-deserved mainstream media attention showered before, during, and especially after this year's demonstration, the one in April of '93 went largely unmentioned the following day.

Are we to assume that the federal government has been forced into fairer crowd counts? And may we now expect from the het press something other than the virtual silence that followed our march?

Paul Hufstедler
San Francisco

Immune response response

Terrific - the article by Bill Snow of ACT UP/Golden Gate ("Flu Shots, Infections, and HIV Viral Load," Oct. 12). Facing the nearly proven truths about HIV infection and disease course hasn't been forthcoming in the 15 years of the epidemic, until finally a trickle has started.

Yesterday, I saw an old friend here at work. I thought he was gone by now, but there he was alive and thin. I asked him if he knew how his CD8 cell counts were - I mean he is alive and still moving around and hasn't been anything but skin and bones for several years now. He said his CD4 counts were 35, but his CD8 counts are 1500! I told him that was why he is still alive. That cell-mediated immune response was controlling the virus, and still fighting body infections. He looked at me, and I could tell he wondered what I was talking about.

He mentioned that he was going to start taking some steroids, in order to give overall better feelings, and to gain weight. I told him to watch what he is taking, as he should not affect the immune system function, being careful to monitor his bloodwork and CD8 cells.

It seems to me that one basic problem with HIV is the lymph system. HIV seems to get into the lymph nodes, and there it sits grabbing onto immune cells, infecting, and when you get immune system work happening, it probably causes the virus to breed and bud out new virus particles. This then goes into the blood. Can anyone tell us what drug, either current or coming up, can provide the bio-availability to get into the lymph system and kill or suppress the HIV? I don't think so. So, if we take the nukes and suppress the immune system with them, we are still not taking care of any HIV in the lymph nodes. They are still spewing out virus.

So, B.A.R., please continue to publish articles that promote cell-mediated immune response to HIV. Why can't we figure it out? What keeps us alive after infection? Our immune systems do. And what part of the immune system is probably doing most of the work? The CMI (cell-mediated immune) response. The CD8s and the natural killer cells. That is what they are there for. Attacking, killing and disposing of viral infections. We can all agree that HIV is a viral infection. So, stimulate or increase the CD8 and NK cells, and won't you be better off?

Bill Webber
San Francisco

Eyesores R Us

Recently the San Francisco press reported of the Planning Commission's decision to allow an oversized project to be built on 24th Street between Sanchez and Noe next to the Bell Market. This was despite the opposition of the entire neighborhood which raised legitimate issues of oversaturation, traffic, and parking. More recently, the Planning Commission has voted to allow the project proposed for the top of Sanchez Hill to go ahead, a project vigorously opposed by the neighborhood, neighborhood clubs and associations and people from all over San Francisco. The project is out of scale for the surrounding houses and will be the most prominent visual aspect of the hill. Presently, the hilltop is a green space visible from Twin Peaks and every other viewing site in the city.

We who live in Noe Valley and in the Castro are beginning to wonder why this Planning Commission does not follow the Residential Design Guidelines, passed as Proposition M in the late 1980s. Why are the near-unanimous opinions of neighborhoods ignored in favor of developers whose projects will remain eyesores for years to come and will destroy the character of our neighborhoods? This Planning Commission is largely a cohort of Jordan appointees. Obviously, the only way for neighborhoods to regain a measure of control over their own destinies is to prevent Jordan from having another four years to devote to the interests of the Residential Builders' Association, one of his most generous supporters. We would like to know how the other candidates stand on the issue of neighborhood representation on the Planning Commission.

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LETTERS

The Maine event

I just received another packet of Maine newspaper clippings from Mom and Dad. It's pretty clear that they're worried sick about the upcoming anti-gay referendum called "Question One." After all, my parents have a gay son, even if he lives 3,251 miles away.

Despite the entire Congressional delegation and an impressive array of boatbuilders, banks, Bar associations and Bishops speaking out against the measure, I'm preparing myself for a shock: We may lose this one.

According to Susan Hibbard from Maine Won't Discriminate, the latest poll shows a dead heat: 35% Yes, 35% No, and 30% undecided. But there's a lot of good old-fashioned Maine moxie and grit hiding behind the poll numbers. My own family, for example.

My mom, a woman too shy for P-FLAG meetings but never too shy to say "I love you," wrote a letter to Independent Governor Angus King thanking him for appearing in "No On 1" television commercials. My dad, a mostly conservative insurance salesman who has a quick smile and a big heart, stood under an umbrella at a downtown Portland lunchtime rally, shoulder-to-shoulder with pink-haired and tattooed 17-year-old queers. On October 21, during "Sabbath Against Discrimination," my parents sat in amazement as their synagogue's heterosexual woman Rabbi warmly introduced the gay male speaker during the Bar Mitzvah ceremony of a somewhat puzzled and embarrassed 13-year-old boy.

Win or lose on Election Day, I'm convinced that the Pine Tree State - like Colorado, Oregon and Idaho - will never again be the same.

Please join me in sending peace and love to Maine from San Francisco. And if you are so inclined, I know that money and notes of encouragement would be most appreciated. The address is: Maine Won't Discriminate, P.O. Box 11061, Portland, ME 04104 (Internet: MECAMPAIGN@AOL.com).

Bob Gordon
San Francisco

Down under request

A major research project is being undertaken at the University of Technology, Sydney, into the lives of homosexual Australian soldiers, sailors and airmen during World War II. I am hoping that through your readership I might be able to establish contact with American veterans who knew, or knew of, Australians during the war. Over one million American GIs passed through Australia and hundreds of thousands of Australians served with Americans in Europe.

The aim would be to conduct interviews by correspondence. Issues of confidentiality and privacy would be at the discretion of the interviewee. For the record I am a thirty-four-year-old 'out' gay male.

I would be most grateful for any leads and suggestions, whatsoever. Postage costs will be covered upon request.

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Omniscient Beth

In the October 26 issue, Beth Elliot complains, "Why are we still bombarded with the O.J. Simpson soap opera?" Then she bombards us with the O.J. Simpson soap opera some more.

Like most people who can't seem to leave it alone, Ms. Elliot doesn't just think O.J. is guilty, she knows he is guilty. And like many feminists who should know better, she equates the acquittal with "battered women can be killed with impunity."

I watched a lot of the trial, and it astonishes me that anyone can honestly say they would have voted for conviction beyond a reasonable doubt based on the evidence presented, especially when any evidence presented by Dets. Fuhrman and VanNatter could be disregarded because they gave willfully false testimony. People who are so sure Simpson was guilty should recall that their opinions have to be based on information given the media stemming from alleged evidence derived from the alleged investigation by demonstrably perjurious law enforcement officers. If that's all I had to go on, and I had reason to believe it, I'd think Simpson was guilty, too.

It is my impression that most people who strongly believe Simpson is guilty didn't watch very much of the trial.

The battering of women (or men) has no place in our society, but the vast majority of women who are battered don't end up dead, and the vast majority of female homicide victims were not previously victims of chronic physical abuse. They are distinct phenomena, and the cause of decent treatment of women is not furthered by fuzzy thinking. Regardless of what Ms. Elliot thinks (or Cochran said), the Simpson verdict was based on lack of evidence, not some sort of message or social balance.

Jim Sorrells
Guerneville, CA

[We can just imagine your letter to the editor of Spy.]

No competition

I appreciated letter-writer "Animal" Joe Smith's thought-provoking views on the AIDS Health Project's Castro Street sign, "Celebrate Health - Stay HIV-Negative." I disagree with his point that the sign promotes viral apartheid and spreads the message to stay away from those who age positive. I am grateful, however, that his letter helped me clarify my feelings about how our community ought to deal with the ongoing crisis of the high rate of seroconversion among gay men.

The sign does not say to me, "Don't have sex with HIV-positive men." It does say, "Be mindful of what you do with everybody."

I believe Animal when he says he seroconverted after following safer sex guidelines to the letter. So many years into this epidemic and we still don't have as reliable guidelines as we need. The difficulty of researching isolated sexual acts and homophobic resistance to funding such research in the first place leaves us only with a list of activities ranked by probable level of risk. Each of us determines for ourselves the level of risk we are willing to assume.

Animal's letter inspired me to look at the epidemic somewhat paradoxically from two vantage points - the individual and the community. On the individual level, we are all in this together, regardless of HIV status. Clearly the experience of those who are positive is usually more intense than those who are not. However, those of us who love them, care for them, and grieve for them are also profoundly affected. In many ways, it's a crap shoot: any of us could test positive. It's in the interest of all of us not to draw a line between the infected and the uninfected. Value judgments have no place here.

However, as a community, it is in our interest to promote the most effective campaign to prevent seroconversion. Does that entail a value judgment? I suppose so. But it is not meant to shame or judge those who are already infected. It is a blessing that, in the last two years, there has been a growing movement - sparked, in part, by the July, 1994, Gay and Lesbian Medical Association summit on the issue - to reevaluate how to encourage those who are HIV-negative to remain so. If that means campaigns directed towards negative folks, it is not meant as a put-down of those who are positive. We need to address the needs of both groups: it's not a competition.

Naphtali Offen
San Francisco

Mismanaged? No evidence!

I found amazing the recent letter from Gary Johnson regarding the way Arlo Smith's office handled his claim of being a hate crime victim. As [a] letter [to the editor of a newspaper] from Johnson indicates, he himself acknowledges that there simply was not enough evidence to charge anyone with a crime.

In fact, he goes to some lengths in that letter commending the Police Department for its thorough investigation of the case. At one point he says, "...there was nothing for the SF District Attorney to base their case upon." In other words, after a complete investigation by the police there was nothing the DA could do.

On March 7 I met with Johnson in my office and we discussed his case in great detail. He agreed then there was no evidence to proceed. Recently he called me and asked for another meeting. We set one up for September 27. A few days beforehand he canceled that meeting and told me once more that he accepted the reality that it was impossible to prove a case against the people he accuses of assaulting him.

Johnson's letter to the B.A.R. makes no sense. Suddenly he claims Arlo Smith is somehow responsible for letting "three fag bashers walk the street Scott-free," even though as recently as September he was in accord with the DA's decision there was no way to prosecute.

It's a fact of life that the police are not always able to gather enough evidence to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that someone is guilty of a crime. In such cases there is little the DA can do other than to offer such victims assistance with medical bills through our victim/witness program.

An example of such a situation was last year, when Victor Rohana was shot while holding hands with another man. Arlo Smith's office helped get Rohana's medical bills paid, even though nobody to date has been identified as the perpetrator of that crime.

Arlo Smith has committed all available resources to the prosecution of hate crimes in San Francisco. Anyone who suggests otherwise does so either out of ignorance or because of his own political agenda.

Chuck Haines
Assistant District Attorney
Head, Hate Crimes Unit

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Perot's Plans

When California's secretary of state announced last week that Texas billionaire Ross Perot's recently formed Reform Party had indeed qualified for the 1996 March primary, speculation began immediately as to who would eventually be the nominee(s) of the new party and how they would be chosen. That one is simple. Ross Perot did not put upward of a million bucks of his own fortune into the frantic effort to qualify for the ballot only to watch the nominee be someone other than himself. Indeed, many of the Perot loyalists from his 1992 "United We Stand America" campaign are now realizing that they will have little input in choosing the Reform Party's nominees, despite the long hours they have put in in California.

Commentary

Perot himself laid out a preliminary sketch last September when he abruptly declared on national television that he was about to form a new political party. The big-eared Texan announced a voter-intensive process to qualify his new party in every state possible (in at least a dozen or so states, the process is illegal) and require candidates for the party's nomination to gather support from at least ten percent of party members nationwide. He stated the Reform Party would hold a one-person, one-vote convention immediately after the GOP and Democratic national conventions to determine their nominees.

Just who wrote Perot's party's rules? Surprise — the same guy with the big bucks necessary to garner support from ten percent of the party's members with ease.

One of H. Ross Perot's major local supporters in his previous campaign told me this week that "there's no way that the Ross Perot I know would go through the endless exercise and spend the millions necessary in the next six months to qualify in a sufficient number of states without him knowing the outcome. This process will produce the candidate Ross wants; he will control the outcome, not the members, and yes, he will be the eventual nominee. Ross Perot's ego will see to that."

What does the new party on the ballot mean as regards the political fortunes of President Clinton, Bob Dole, etc.? Most analysts believe the Reformists will likely draw more supporters from the GOP and could boost Clinton's chances of again carrying California — thereby giving a huge boost to his re-election chances nationwide. In fact, one top Republican leader in Sacra-



Flash: Colin Powell announced Wednesday afternoon that he will not be a candidate for president.

mento was moaning this week that with the Reform Party on the ballot, "It will be 1992 all over again."

Politics and people

Locally, what an election it turned out to be! But don't breathe that sigh of relief just yet, folks; there's still five (count 'em) long weeks to go before we know who our nude, er, I mean new, mayor will be.

And speaking of that now infamous photo, I, too, thought it was a political gaffe beyond belief. Dumb, dumber, dumbest. However, I agree with the *Examiner* writer who called the computerized full-length shot in Warren Hinckle's *Argonaut* newspaper one of the "dirtiest political tricks ever." Oh, and did I happen to mention that both Hinckle and his newspaper strongly endorsed Willie Brown for mayor in the same edition?

Friends and supporters of Board President Kevin Shelley are giving a reception/fundraiser for the Assembly candidate next Wednesday, Nov. 15, at a private home on Castro Street with Supe, Carole Migden and College Board trustees Lawrence Wong and Leslie Katz among the honorary hosts (5:30-7:30 p.m., \$35, 864-8523 for info).

Look for some hotly contested judicial races in both the Municipal and Superior court contests next year. One good thing Pete Wilson did — last week he promoted Municipal Court Judge Charlotte Woolard to the Superior Court. She's one of the best

on the bench.

In a setback for gay rights, the GOP-controlled House last week voted to repeal a District of Columbia law that allows Washington city workers to register domestic partners for health benefits.

However, in Albany, the Court of Appeals, New York state's highest court, ruled last week by a 4-to-3 vote that a couple, gay or heterosexual, does not have to be married to adopt a child together.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein is hosting a cocktail reception/fundraiser for Mayor Frank Jordan this Saturday, Nov. 11, 4-6:30 p.m. at Planet Hollywood, 2 Stockton St. (353-5130 for info).

Christmas gift suggestion: Rocker Elton John has a new signature design necktie collection. The made-in-Italy silk ties (\$39.50 each) can be purchased starting this week at The Knot Shop, a chain of neckwear stores, as well as some department stores. Profits will go to the Elton John AIDS Foundation. The "proudly gay" rocker is also in the "talking stages" of a line of scarves for both men and women. A canary Yellow Brick Road number might be the accessory we've all been waiting for!

Bumbling Bob Dornan, the sweetheart of Orange County, recently lamented the nearly simultaneous uprisings at several federal prisons that began after the House voted not to equalize sentences for crack cocaine and powder cocaine offenders. Some civil rights leaders say the sentences unfairly target blacks (who mostly deal in crack and usually receive stiffer sentences). Dornan was incredulous at how the seemingly coordinated disturbances spread so quickly from one prison to another. "What do they got, jungle drums?" he quipped to nearby reporters. Did Californians really vote this racist dullard into office?

Where goeth Wilson? Our governor, as you will recall, promised while running for re-election last year that he would not abandon the state to run for president. Within weeks after being sworn in, he announced he was off and running for the White House. After that humiliating debacle, he quit and returned to Sacramento, vowing he would never accept a vice-presidential nomination. However ... would Wilson really accept an offer if it were made? "In a heartbeat," one of the governor's top aides confided to a political reporter last week.

The Quote of the Week is from the New Hampshire AFL-CIO's Convention newsletter: "Drive home safely, and remember: If you must drink and drive, try to do it when Phil Gramm is crossing the street." ▼



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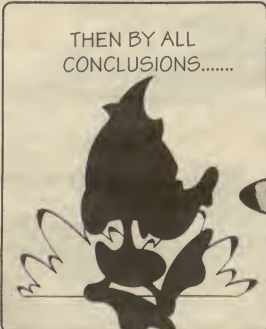
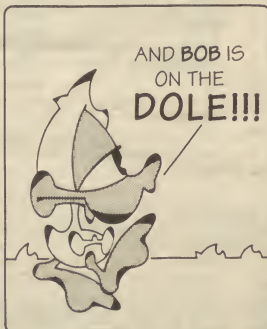
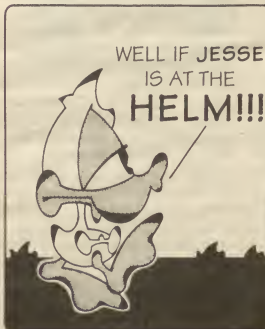
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Dynamic Duo

Donna Medley (left) of San Francisco and Eve Donlon of Oakland at the Lesbian Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament. The Oct. 28 Mills College event was a fundraiser for Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services.

Gone, Not Forgotten

by Beth Elliott

Well, Samhain/Hallowe'en/Dia de los Muertos have come and gone, and I didn't manage to do anything decorative with something of great potential: a nine-image X-ray film montage from an MRI scan of my brain. I recently helped out my friend Dr. Joy with a research study by driving down to San Jose to be one of her guinea pigs.

Dr. Joy has a grant to look at corpus callosum after corpus callosum of transsexuals and non-transsexuals to see whether brains of the former match chromosomal sex or gender identity (glad I spared you having to figure out "corpora callosa" is the plural?). The corpus callosum, of course, is a bundle of tissue in the middle of the brain that connects the two hemispheres. It's larger in females than in males, which means women are less right brain-left brain specialized. Obviously, Dr. Joy had two control groups (non-transsexual women and men) and two presumably out-of-control

groups (MTFs and FTMs).

After three minutes of holding perfectly still with my head in a cage, I got to look at nine profile cross-sections a centimeter apart. The first and last showed eyeball ligaments and looked really monster movie-ish; there in the middle was my female-typical bulbous corpus callosum. It was cool; I do want to see if I can copy and manipulate the images.

Commentary

Of course, one challenge to lying still was stifling laughter at various satirical song riffs zipping spontaneously through my mind. One Z.Z. Top riff was obvious: "She's got brains, she knows how to use them." The winner (if such it can be called): "Well, C. C. MRI-der, girl, see what you have done. Yeah, yeah, yeah, C. C. MRI-der, see what you have done. First you made me lie still, now your scan has come." (No, I don't know what part of the brain that stuff comes out of, except that it's a very sick part.)

Two shamans

But seriously, I don't want Samhain to pass without remembering two shamans the Bay Area's countercultures lost in one fortnight this summer, while I was traveling in Washington and British Columbia. It seems incongruous to mention them in the same breath, yet their presence among us was similar in effect if not in the scale of that effect. In an era when mass transportation and telecommunications are shrinking our world, when the romance of distant places is diminished for their being less remote, two people made it possible to have the equivalent of running off to join the circus, and our world will be a little dimmer for their having passed. I speak, of course, of Jerry Garcia and Diet Popstute.

Yeah, I have my reservations about hardcore Deadheads, too, especially the ones who got "on the bus" after the band's lone top ten album, 1989's *In the Dark* (not forgetting, of course, the "Trucking" single going to the top of the chart in Turlock, California). Grateful Dead music, and Dead shows, are properly understood as one facet of all the transformative magic out there in the world; it hurts to see people mistake this one facet for all the magic itself. It hurts that the same folks' unneighborly behavior got the band banned from a number of cool venues, like Berkeley's Greek Theatre. (Thanks to their upsurge in popularity, I most miss the

Dead playing the Kaiser Auditorium on Lake Merritt, walking distance — or stumbling distance, depending — from my house.)

Nonetheless, Jerry grounded in American folk tradition the beat ethos of challenging one's self with new experiences to expand one's concept of reality, and took that ethos into the psychedelic era and beyond. Dead shows aren't concerts; they're collective adventures with a good deal of tribal camaraderie. And though Jerry felt burdened by the more worshipful fans, in any interview situation he'd say something reflective of humankind and our planet's potential to go to really cool places. One can only hope the Grateful Dead family and tribe will "Not Fade Away."

Punk ethos

Playing the Memorialstute for Diet really brought home the key element that makes Klubstute distinct from a run-of-the-mill drag show: the punk ethos of a family of choice that supports and encourages self-expression. The Klubstute family strikes me as being people who were too weird and/or too glamorous and/or too eccentric to be understood by the people among whom they grew up. At Klubstute, each can act/live out his or her vision among people who will groove on its creativity, while also making room to enjoy whatever silly little pop things anyone likes in spite of themselves.

At Dead shows you can be as hippied-out and tie-dyed as you like, and you'll belong and people will smile; at Klubstute you can be as glam or as tacky or some combination of the two as you like, and you'll belong and people will smile. There is indeed a thread that links the two: there has always been overlap between San Francisco's hip and queer subcultures; both have created their own (artistic/performance) cultures on the Do It Yourself principle, and both are about people having the opportunity to be as beautiful and cool together as we all can.

It reminds me of the controversy over "Year of the Queer" as the Freedom Day Parade theme. After all the brouhaha, one contingent won the "Best Use of Theme" prize by being the only contingent to use the Q-word in its name: the Queer Deadheads, who had decorated a VW bus, loaded up the live tapes, and danced their way down Market Street. If Jerry and Diet run into one another off somewhere in the ether, they might seem completely odd to each other — but only at first. I think they'd end up appreciating each other; I hope they know how much they are missed and how fondly remembered. ▼

Difference Found In MTF Brain

by Susan Milius UPI Science Writer

For the first time, scientists say they have found a difference in brain anatomy between male-to-female transsexuals and men who think of themselves as men.

Researchers focused on a small region deep in the middle of the brain, called the BSTc. Male-to-female transsexuals had BSTc regions about half the size of the same region in non-transsexual men, said Dick Swaab and colleagues from the Netherlands Institute for Brain Research and Free University Hospital in Amsterdam.

The transsexuals' BSTc was as small as the same region in women.

Swaab, Jiang-Ning Zhou, and co-authors published their study in the new issue of the journal *Nature*.

"Our study is the first to show a female brain structure in genetically male transsexuals," said the researchers' summary of their work.

Just what the BSTc does in humans is not clear, but Swaab called it "an appropriate candidate to study" because "the BST plays an essential part in rodent sexual behavior."

Researchers compared the brain structures of six male-to-female transsexuals with brains of both heterosexual and homosexual men, and found that sexual orientation did not influence the size differences. Transsexuals report feeling they are trapped in a body of the wrong gender, and scientists have puzzled for years over

whether any biological difference would explain the persistent feelings.

Berkeley prof: Many possibilities

Psychology professor Marc Breedlove from the University of California in Berkeley considers the human function of the BSTc an open question. A specialist in hormonal effects on the brain who published a commentary on the Dutch research, he warned that the results show only a difference, not when or why the difference developed.

"People will say that since a part of the brain is different, it must be that transsexuals were born different," he said. "These results do not mean that. Period."

Hormones sweeping through the fetal brain certainly could have changed the BSTc's development so that a baby was indeed "born different," he said. However, he said, later parts of the transsexual experience could have influenced the development of a female-sized BSTc.

What impressed him about the research was that scientists managed to find a physical difference amid the many confusing, little-understood facets of the brain. "I have to take off my hat to them for beating the odds," he said.

The possibility that a physical difference could push people toward transsexuality "would be a great comfort," said Dr. Sheila Kirk, speaking on behalf of the International Foundation for Gender Education in Waltham, Massachusetts.

"Transgenderists spend the

earlier part of their lives puzzling: 'Why do I need to do this?'" said Kirk, who practiced obstetrics and gynecology as a man for 27 years before retiring from medicine and adopting the name and dress of a woman.

One percent would rather switch

The foundation estimates that roughly one percent of the world's population, both genetic males and females, feels some urge to switch genders, at least in dress. In some parts of Europe, women who wish to be surgically converted to men outnumber genetic males who wish to go in the other direction, according to the foundation.

Kirk knows of at least 50 transsexual physicians in the United States, and a good number of attorneys.

"There's an awfully high number of the transgendered among engineers," said Kirk. They have their own support organization.

Some children announce they are in the wrong kind of body as early as three to four years of age, and other people deny their impulses, marry, and have children, said Kirk.

Not all transgenderists choose surgical reassignment: Kirk, for example, has no intention of doing so. Yet the foundation recognizes that a cluster of people elect surgery in their 20s and another cluster of people opt for surgery in their late 30s after struggling with conventional roles.

Some undergo surgical reassignment as late as their 70s and 80s. ▼

LAVA Awards To Add Categories for '96 Show

by Mary Ann Swissler

The nomination deadline for the 1996 LAVA Awards is just two weeks away, and this year's awards have been expanded to include more categories, according to organizer Jo Ann Driscoll.

November 15 is the last day to submit names of notable lesbians for the Lesbians of Achievement Vision & Action (LAVA) Awards, which have been held annually since 1993 by the Bay Area Career Women (BACW).

This year's LAVA Awards nomination committee has broadened the areas of achievement to

include 15 areas, said Flannery: arts, athletics, business, community service, crafts, education, government, healthcare, law, philanthropy, politics, sciences, spirituality, trades, and other.

The final selections come down to a final vote after studying the submitted nomination materials. "The committee is somewhat autonomous," she said, "and is allowed to set its own rules."

The LAVA statuettes will be presented to the winners at an awards banquet in March benefiting BACW's "A Fund Of Our Own," a community-based fund that has so far provided more than

\$122,000 to lesbians. Comedienne and sex author Jo Ann Loulan will emcee.

Anyone can be nominated, according to Nominations Committee Chair Grace Flannery, as long as they are out to the press, live in the nine-county Bay Area or Modesto, and — most importantly — have contributed work that "has enhanced the empowerment, image, or understanding of lesbians." ▼

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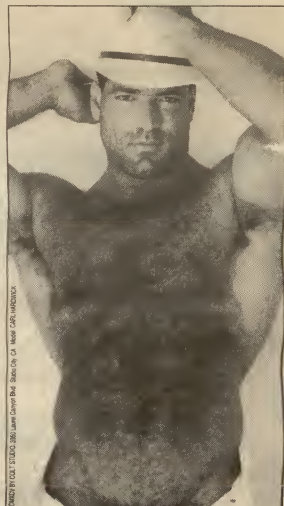
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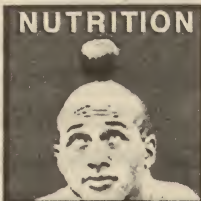
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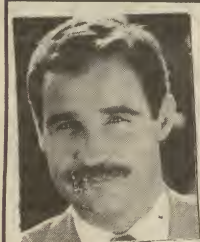
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'Deep' Kissing

by Al Kielwasser

The November 1 broadcast of *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine* (DS9) featured one of the most passionate same-sex kissing scenes ever to grace prime-time television. The DS9 episode, titled "Rejoined," revolved around the alien "sybion" known as Dax - who once inhabited a male body, but now lives in a female host. The current host - Jadzia - was reunited with a woman Dax had been married to when he was hosted by a male humanoid. In one scene, the two women engage in a kiss that makes similar TV scenes look like a peck on the cheek.

Of course, the episode was not specifically "about lesbians," and queer *Star Trek* fans have offered cautious praise. Tim Perkins, who works with a group of lesbian and gay *Trek* fans known as the "U.S.S. Harvey Milk," agrees that "the kiss between Jadzia and Lenara was electric, and I'm happy the camera did not flinch." But, Perkins adds, "if this is a step forward, it is a small step. After 30 years of *Star Trek* and promises of regular gay and lesbian characters, it is a very small step."

Perkins claims that *Star Trek* producers continue to offer allegories and metaphors about homosexuality, instead of simply introducing a full-fledged homosexual character. "Wouldn't it be a much more effective, direct and courageous statement to show a gay or lesbian human being as a resident character on DS9," Perkins asks, "as an ongoing character who has a distinctive personality and depth, who doesn't die in one episode, but grows and changes and interacts with other members of the crew, who has a chance to relate to a lover the way heterosexual characters do?" He adds: "Isn't the fact that there are no human characters who are gay or lesbian in any iteration of *Star Trek* a denial of our existence?"

Shortly before he died, *Star Trek* creator Gene Roddenberry promised to introduce a continuing lesbian or gay character into his imaginative universe. To date, producers have failed to fully honor Roddenberry's death-bed wish.

Praise the kiss, and call for more and better from the producers of the show. Share your thoughts with Rick Berman and Jeri Taylor, Executive Producers, *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine* 5555 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles CA 90038, tel. 213-956-5000; copy your correspondence to Kerry McCougage, President, Paramount Television, 5555 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles CA 90038, tel. 213-956-5000 and Lucy Salhani, President, United Paramount Network, 1180 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles CA 90025, tel. 310-575-7000. To join in a national petition drive to secure positive ongoing

queer character, contact GLAAD or the on-line web site <http://www.gaytrek.com/gaytrek>.

Late Nightmare

On October 23, *Late Night with Conan O'Brien* (NBC) featured a particularly homophobic skit character, whom O'Brien introduced as "Todd, the guy who refuses to believe I'm NOT gay." The INTENDED humor - perhaps amusing to viewers whose parents are brother and sister - involves "Todd's" relentless demands for a date with the show's host.

In the October 23 skit, "Todd" was portrayed as an effeminate, pretentious, predatory homosexual. The character is totally self-involved, predominantly interested in heterosexual men, and incapable of taking "no" for an answer. "Todd" badgered O'Brien to go "clubbing" with him, and threatened to use his "silk handkerchiefs" if necessary.

Tell Conan O'Brien not to massage his heterosexual ego at the expense of gay men's lives. Send feedback to *Late Night with Conan O'Brien*, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 901 West, New York NY 10112, tel. 212-664-3994 (viewer comment line).

Royko's Real Record

The Associated Press (AP) filed an October 12 story on homophobic columnist Mike Royko; the piece ran in the *Rocky Mountain News* under the headline "Prize-Winning Writer Royko Now Draws Wrath of Critics."

The AP article states: "After 36 years in the newspaper business, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Mike Royko continues to call them as he sees them. The rich, the powerful and the well-connected are not exempt from the skewer of the 63-year-old Royko's pen.... A longtime defender of underdogs, these days Royko finds himself under attack by critics who charge that he is anti-gay."

Remarkably, AP does NOT quote any of these "critics." Moreover, the wire service incorrectly claims that "the accusations [of Royko's homophobia] stem from a drunken-driving arrest last December in which Royko repeatedly called a police officer a 'fag.'" In fact, that was but one incident amongst several in Royko's homophobic career. Had the Associated Press bothered to interview any lesbian or gay media activists, this fact could easily have been acquired.

For example, Royko - who works for the *Chicago Tribune* - has argued in favor of the military ban against homosexuals. In 1993, on the pages of the *Tribune* and *Reader's Digest*, Royko whined that military leaders "know more about what it takes to win wars than Barbara Streisand or the Gay and Lesbian Alliance." He expressed the usual fears about having to "shower and sleep near" a gay soldier, and opined: "Since we're talking about sex - specifically a form of sex that most Americans consider morally wrong - anybody who says it won't affect morale and discipline in the military has never been in a barracks...."

The Associated Press also understates what Royko said when he was arrested for drunk driving. According to the actual police report, Royko shouted such racist and homophobic slurs as "jag off queer," "fuck you fag," "why are you wearing those fag gloves?" and "you fucking loser, what's your ethnicity, you fag?"

Remind the AP to do a more careful job when researching the stories it wires around the world; contact the Associated

Press, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York NY 10020, tel. 212-621-1500. Comments for Mike Royko can be sent directly to the *Chicago Tribune*, 435 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago IL 60611, tel. 312-222-3232, fax 312-222-3143, e-mail MikeRoyko@aol.com. Letters can also be sent to the *Rocky Mountain News*, 400 W. Colfax Avenue, Denver CO 80204, fax 303-892-2568, e-mail letters@denver-rmn.com

Good News/Bad News

Recent editorials from the *Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph* and the *San Francisco Examiner* are a study in contrast. In "Our View" (October 21), the editors of the *Gazette Telegraph* adopt a sickeningly homophobic position on the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA). Because Clinton supports the act, the newspaper accuses the president of harboring "some inexorable urge to offend broad swaths of Middle America by injecting the nettlesome gay-rights debate into public policy."

The *Colorado* newspaper, which has a circulation of about 115,000, argues that the Clinton Administration suffers from "political myopia" and is "blowing it" by supporting "a marginal, largely symbolic, highly divisive and politically futile endeavor such as a national gay-rights law." Of course, most major civil rights declarations - including the Declaration of Independence itself - have been labeled "highly divisive" and "politically futile" by small minds throughout history. But this newspaper - which clearly suffers from *homophobic myopia* - can't be bothered with the historical record.

Conversely, a recent editorial by the *San Francisco Examiner* praised the Clinton Administration's decision to stand behind ENDA. In "Presidential Courage and Gay Rights" (October 22), the *Examiner* admits that ENDA is a largely symbolic effort, likely to "get no place in this Republican-dominated session" of Congress. Nevertheless, the newspaper cites Clinton's support for the legislation as "a sparkling achievement" of the "first president to back a federal ban on job bias targeting homosexuals." "This is an important step toward eventually stamping out this type of discrimination," the *Examiner* concludes.

Send feedback to *The Gazette Telegraph*, P.O. Box 1779, Colorado Springs CO 80901, fax 719-636-0202, e-mail gtnews@usa.net; James A. Finefrock, Editor of the editorial pages, *Examiner*, P.O. Box 7260, San Francisco CA 94120, tel. 415-777-7923, fax 415-512-1264, e-mail letters@examiner.com.

Media Briefs

* BACK ON THE RACK ... *insideOUT*, a ground-breaking magazine for queer youth, is back in publication. After a brief hiatus, *insideOUT* has been reformed into a slick, first-rate periodical billed as "the essential queer youth magazine." The current issue (#9) features a mix of news and views, including several standout features - "Heterosexuality Is Like Your Coccyx" (in which Halima Rajiv artfully deconstructs "the need to breed"), "Generation Out" (in which Danny Martin "takes a look at some of the factors prompting kids to leave the closet behind despite the risk"), and an interview with young gay actor Wilson Cruz. Contact *insideOUT* magazine, P.O. Box 460268, SF CA 94146-0268. ▼

SF State Gay Alum Group To Launch Ron Bar Scholarship

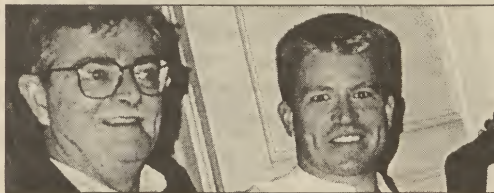
by Mary Ann Swissler

After graduating from San Francisco State University in 1992, David Crowther sought out an alumni group for many reasons, one of them being to get library privileges. But when Crowther discovered that no such group existed specifically for gay, lesbian, and bisexual graduates, faculty, or current students, he expanded his goal.

The result is the Stonewall Alumni Chapter at San Francisco State, which Crowther said unofficially began in 1993, when he and faculty members began processing the necessary forms on campus and getting the word out. Two years later, the idea has taken shape at the Sunset District university with a planned mentoring program with the queer employee association A Group Of Groups (AGOG), plus less formal outreach to younger gay, lesbian, and bisexual students.

Crowther, who now works for The United Way, said early discussions among founding faculty members formed the philosophical basis for the chapter. "What it came down to really was making sure that some of our money and time and energy went back to the university," he said, "and that the gay and lesbian students got served somehow—to build a better university overall."

One of the more important aspects of the Stonewall chapter is



Prof. Jim Duggins (left) and SAC's David Crowther.

the establishment of the Ron Bar Memorial Fund, a scholarship fund for gay, lesbian, and bisexual students, according to Education Professor Jim Duggins. Bar, who died earlier this year, was the first openly gay vice president at SFSU.

"Like Roberta Achtenberg, he was the first openly gay person at that rank," Duggins explained. "We've always had openly gay faculty, but not vice presidents."

After Bar attained his powerful and highly visible position, Duggins said, he remained openly gay, and was more than a figurehead. After learning of a substantial estate left by two deceased gay men, Bar "smooth-talked" the estate executors into creating what is now the Leach-Morkowski scholarship, specifically targeting gay, lesbian, and bisexual SFSU students. Its \$250,000 endowment makes it the largest fund of its kind, according to Duggins.

The Bar Memorial Fund is still

being established, Duggins said, to recognize Bar's accomplishments.

The mentoring program through AGOG will provide a substantial data base of contacts for Stonewall members. In its first year AGOG has enrolled gay, lesbian, and bisexual employees from most of the larger firms in the Bay Area including Levi-Strauss, Bank of America, Visa, Wells Fargo Bank, San Jose State University, Pacific Bell, Pacific Gas & Electric, IBM, Hewlett-Packard, BART, Apple Computers, Kaiser Permanente, Charles Schwab & Co., Microsoft, The United Way, and others. ▼

For information on the Stonewall Alumni Chapter contact David Crowther at (415) 441-1158 or e-mail dacii@aol.com. AGOG can be reached at (415) 627-7533, or by e-mail at AGOG111@aol.com.

Adult Child of Lesbian Wins Scholarship at U.C. Berkeley

by Mary Ann Swissler

UC Berkeley junior Jyl Safier chuckles as she remembers a time during the U.N. Conference on Women in Beijing when lesbians and homophobes alike tried to turn her life into a political football. Their problem, she recalled, is that not everything in her story about life as the heterosexual daughter of a lesbian could prove their own personal agendas. "I don't identify so they couldn't discount me, and say, 'She's just saying that because she's straight, or a lesbian,'" Safier told the *Bay Area Reporter*.

The 26-year-old Safier recently won a small scholarship from Children of Lesbians and Gays Everywhere (COLAGE), and will put her unflappable personality to good use as an international de-

velopment major at UC Berkeley.

The support from COLAGE is simply another example of her sense that she had "a lot" of parents, she said. Her mother Jodi was an activist, teacher, and minister at Maranatha Metropolitan Community Church in Hayward, and Jill was adopted into the large, extended family of lesbians and gays who could be counted on during any emergency.

Even so, growing up in the Bay Area during the 1970s and 80s had its ups and downs, she said. She remained "closeted" about her mother's sexual orientation, partially because of the heavy toll of being an openly gay man or lesbian woman. "Then," she said, "coming out meant leaving your [birth] family." Safier felt she couldn't tell any of her peers that her mother was a lesbian until she

graduated from high school—and then, she told the *B.A.R.*, she was surprised to find there were lots of others just like her. She even went out on a date with a man who had a queer parent.

Safier is currently collecting stories about adult daughters of lesbians for the Lavender Heart Project, which she began with New College of California law professor Maria Ramos. It's a rich area of life to mine, she said. "Children of gays and lesbians always feel like they're anthropologists," she said, "because they never really fit in." ▼

Call COLAGE for submissions to the Lavender Heart Project or information on future scholarships, at (415) 861-KIDS.

Colorado Student Starts HIV Scholarship

United Press International

A University of Colorado undergraduate student was so moved by a story in the school's *Campus Press* about a student who tested HIV-positive, he created a new scholarship benefiting HIV-positive students.

Luke Gold, 20, said he believes the Positive Future Fund is the first such scholarship in the nation, and feels it could help break some of the alienation HIV-

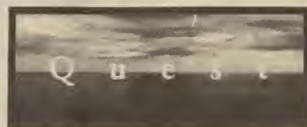
positive students often face.

"I want to change the misconception people have about living with HIV," he said. "There may be a general belief that they don't belong here, but we feel they do."

The scholarship's first fundraiser, a "rave"-style dance named "Heliopolis—City of the Sun," attracted about 150 people last week. Gold said he is still counting the money, and is seeking big donors and foundations to match what is raised at the grassroots level.

The size of the scholarship will depend on how much money is raised, said Gold, who has set a goal of \$10,000 so the fund can become a long-term endowment before he graduates. The first scholarship will be available by next fall. ▼

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LA Asst. DA's Alleged Anti-Gay Harassment Not Punished

by Mary Ann Swissler

Gay attorney Alan Zeltserman says he has learned the hard way that lawyers can be some of the worst offenders of sexual orientation civil rights. The 1992 UC Davis Law School graduate was handed yet another lesson at the end of September, when the California State Bar Association rejected a grievance he filed against a fellow alumnus for a pattern of anti-gay taunting while at the law school, and later in a 1994 alumni magazine.

Zeltserman told the *Bay Area Reporter* that he is coming forward to air his complaints against Jared Moses, now a Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney in the juvenile division, because Moses holds a job that affects so many members of the public. Zeltserman said that as the O.J. Simpson trial neared an end, he couldn't help but compare Moses to Mark Fuhrman, the racist police officer who was allowed to remain on the Los Angeles Police Department despite evidence of racist behavior — and who, in the opinions of many, destroyed the prosecution's case against Simpson.

"What I really think is of concern to the people in Los Angeles," he told the *B.A.R.*, "is that this guy [Moses] is prosecuting cases, a guy with this kind of attitude who acts it out in this kind of way."

Zeltserman said Moses made life at UC Davis Law School a nightmare, and that complaints — to teachers, the Law School, a student disciplinary panel, and the California State Bar after graduation — failed to improve the situation.

Moreover, last year Zeltserman contacted D.A. Gil Garcetti, who upon winning his 1992 election made sexual orientation a top priority in his office's anti-discrimination policies. But because a few months had elapsed between the time Moses took his latest swipe at Zeltserman, in early 1994, and when he began work in the county's juvenile division, that August



Lambda's Jon Davidson: "They're in trouble if they don't check out if they're hiring a loose cannon."

24, D.A. officials interviewed by the *Bay Area Reporter* indicated that anti-discrimination policies could not be applied. Employee privacy rights prevented them from discussing the case further.

Threatening and assaultive

The first offense, according to Zeltserman's initial July 27, 1994 grievance to the State Bar, occurred at an off-campus fundraiser attended by other law school students. "I was approached by Mr. Moses who, in an apparent attempt to entertain some buddies of his, blew kisses at me and directed lewd comments and gestures toward me while physically moving close to me as I backed away from him," he reported.

"The second incident occurred at the law school and was essentially a repeat of the first incident. However, this time Mr. Moses actually made physical contact with me, touching my chest with his chest."

He told the *Bay Area Reporter* both times constituted more than free speech, which many anti-discrimination policies and codes of conduct cover. "It was threatening, it was assaultive behavior," he said.

And finally, Zeltserman said, when he opened the Fall 1994 edition of the UC Davis Law School alumni magazine he found a disturbing message written by Moses in the student notes section. After first identifying the San Francisco law firm where he worked at the time, Moses ended his brag sheet about recent gambling trips to Reno, family outings, and career successes with "Jared is pining

away for his good friend A.Z."

Rachel Handel, a second-year law student who co-chairs the Lambda law school student group, said she found Moses's comment in the Student Notes section "really weird," even before speaking with the *B.A.R.* about the harassment Zeltserman says he faced at UC Davis. "It seems like the purpose of the column is to notify fellow class members about what their activities are since graduation." The line, she said, revealed "a pretty high schoolish mentality."

'Contact his therapist'

When contacted by the *Bay Area Reporter* at the Los Angeles Deputy District Attorney's office, Moses made light of the situation, saying, "You should really contact his therapist if you want to know about Alan Zeltserman. No, just joking." Moses then declined to even confirm or deny Zeltserman's allegations, and hung up the phone.

The State Bar informed Zeltserman last month that his appeal to his 1994 grievance was being rejected, prompting him to compare that ruling to the treatment he received by Davis officials. Although the school set some limits on Moses, Zeltserman said he did not feel it took the matter seriously.

"The law school did everything it could to sweep it under the rug," he charged, "and the [California State] Bar did the same thing."

He said Moses's ability to escape accountability for his harassment — including once allegedly suggesting that Zeltserman "suck off" a professor, in front of other students who wanted nothing to do with a complaint against Moses — kept him from contacting Lambda or other gay and lesbian groups on campus.

Handel told the *B.A.R.* it is common for many law students to feel isolated from the rest of the UC Davis student body. "Law school students don't realize that there are organizations out there on campus that deal with these issues and would help them with these problems," she said.

However, she added, sexual orientation issues are taken seriously by many in the Law School, including a number of straight students, who recognize it as one of the last areas of the law where it is considered acceptable to discriminate. This year the Lambda club has more than 20 students, up

from six last year.

Donald Moore of the Student Judicial Affairs Committee verified that any student found in violation of the University's anti-discrimination policy — which includes sexual orientation — would face some sort of punishment. He told the *B.A.R.* it was against the school's privacy rules to discuss details of Zeltserman's complaint.

'It strikes me as extreme'

Kay Shafer, an out lesbian deputy district attorney and former gay and lesbian liaison with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, told the *B.A.R.* that Moses's demeanor is not acceptable. Shafer, who doesn't know Moses, commented, "It strikes me as extreme." She said the office has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to sexual orientation, on top of which there is a countywide non-discrimination policy.

Carla Arranaga, an out lesbian attorney who handles hate crime cases for the D.A.'s office, commented, "We have a very, very strong anti-discrimination policy, and any employee who violates that will be reprimanded."

"Employee" is the operative word here, according to Jon Davidson, Supervising Attorney at the Western Regional office of Lambda in Los Angeles, who agreed that the timing of the alumni publication was close but not close enough to warrant an investigation by Garcetti, whom he called "heaven-sent" to the gay community. Under former D.A. Ira Reiner, there literally were no out lesbians and gays working in that office, he said.

As a precaution, according to Davidson, "I think it would be good for someone in the D.A.'s office to talk to him about whether he can represent all of the people of the state of California, and whether he can act impartially without discrimination in his work. ... They're in trouble if they don't check out if they're hiring a loose cannon."

"It's unfortunate that people are that petty that they would do something at someone else's expense," said Davidson.

However, he added, "I also think it's problematic to have government regulating an employee's off-duty speech. I don't like this, but I also wouldn't like some government office telling a lesbian or gay employee what to do," in activities or speech unrelated to his or her job.

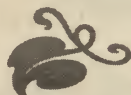
Shafer suggested, "Certainly always a remedy for a citizen for unprofessional conduct by a D.A. is to write a letter."

Actually, Garcetti's office has had a year to respond to a letter about Moses, but hasn't done so, according to Zeltserman. "He knows about it, he knows about the [alumni] publication, but I don't believe he's taken any action," he said.

Zeltserman, who moved to Brookline, Massachusetts in 1993 after his sister was murdered by her husband, acknowledges that his best bet would only come through a convincing argument inside a courtroom, but he would have to file his defamation motion in Boston, and he wants to return to California.

Additionally, the trauma he and his family are still facing looms larger than whatever Moses was trying to inflict. "I don't know if I want the stress of going out and initiating a lawsuit," he said. ▼

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Cammermeyer Presents Close with Award in L.A.

by Karen Ocamb

Glenn Close, the 1995 Best Actress Emmy winner for her portrayal of Colonel Margarette Cammermeyer in the NBC TV movie *Serving in Silence*, was among those honored by Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund during the Thursday, October 26 Liberty Awards at the Peterson Automotive Museum. Cammermeyer's story of being kicked out of the military because she's a lesbian was turned into a much-applauded film by executive producers Close, Barbra Streisand, Craig Zadan, Neil Meron, and Cis Corman.

In an interview prior to the award ceremony, Close told *Bay Area Reporter* that she thinks Cammermeyer is an "amazing woman" for standing up for what she believes is right. She also expressed concern about the direction in which America is headed. "I've been very worried about the climate of intolerance in this country," Close said. "I think it's very, very dangerous, and I think there are a lot of people who want to divide, and who instill fear, and who do not do anything about the ignorance about other people's lifestyles — other groups unlike them."

"That's not our tradition and it shouldn't be tolerated, and anything I can do as an artist to choose material that enlightens — I think that is my responsibility."

Later, in thanking Lambda, Close talked about the need for heroes. "Heroes are a good thing," she said. "A healthy society needs the resonance and inspiration — the measuring stick of simple heroism that survives the ravages of the media with humility, humanity and dignity and has a lasting, healing effect on those of us on the sidelines. Greta is a healer and a hero. She didn't asked to be singled out. But when fate presented her with a choice, she chose to make a difference. Portraying her was a profound experience that



Glenn Close hugs Margarette Cammermeyer as Neil Meron and Craig Zadan applaud.

left me permanently re-arranged.

"I am honored to call her friend and honored to accept, from her hands, this distinguished award."

For her part Cammermeyer also thanked Close and the other executive producers, on behalf of all the people she's met and who have written her letters "thanking each of you for telling their story, and how that helped them gain dignity in their world as they knew it." She also heartily thanked Lambda, especially her attorney Mary Newcombe, for helping her every step of the way, coming out to her family and "to my employer." Though her case has been settled with the re-instatement, Lambda is continuing the fight against the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy.

Barbra to Greta: Thanks

Although she couldn't attend the ceremony, Streisand sent a letter of thanks, which Zadan read. Streisand wrote that she was "thrilled" by the honor. "I was deeply moved by her story, and I came to admire Greta more and more watching this project come to fruition. The film was very gratifying for me to be involved in. It was unique to work on a project that carried such meaning and importance."

"So thank you Greta, for standing up for what is right and allowing

us to publicize your story. Thank you Lambda for your vigilance, leadership, and continuing dedication to protecting and preserving the rights of gays and lesbians."

"I am proud to support you, Barbra Streisand."

Also honored by Lambda were the San Francisco-based law firm of Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe, for its outstanding support of the lesbian and gay community, and Sky Johnson, director of Public Policy at the Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center. In 1979 Johnson organized the first gay and lesbian studies program to be accepted at UC Berkeley — a fact National Gay & Lesbian Task Force point person and Johnson student Daniel Zingale noted in making the presentation. ▼



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Priest Returned to Santa Rosa on Pedophile Charges

United Press International

Catholic officials chose to protect a priest suspected of molesting boys at a summer camp by transferring him from Santa Rosa to Chicago instead of turning him in to authorities, an attorney claimed Thursday, November 2.

Michael Meadows, who represents a handful of men who have filed a civil suit against Father Gary Timmons and the Catholic Church, said the alleged molestations took place at church camps and in the rectory of St. Eugene's Church in Santa Rosa. Timmons was the founder and counselor at Camp St. Michael in Mendocino County.

Meadows alleged that Timmons, 55, would give the other counselors the night off and then target his victim. He would isolate the boy and begin with a back rub and then "he would get progressively more aggressive."

Meadows said his clients have filed the civil action because the

molestations happened in the late 1960s and the criminal statute of limitation has expired.

The men are seeking a change in church policy that will make it mandatory for all dioceses in the United States to be informed if a priest is suspected of molesting children, public recognition from the church that the molestations did indeed happen, and monetary compensation.

Meanwhile, three other men have come forward with similar charges that occurred within the statute of limitations.

When faced with a decision on the priest, church officials chose a "code of secrecy," Meadows said.

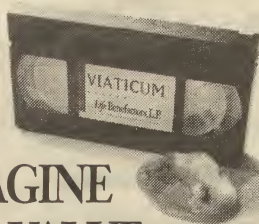
"The church's response [to the suit] has been 'We simply did not know what was happening.' But what they did was simply shuffle away their problem to someone else. The evidence mounted in this case to the point where they could not deny the charges."

"But in typical fashion, they ignored it and suppressed the evidence." ▼

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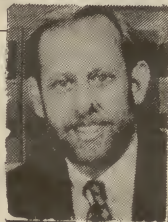


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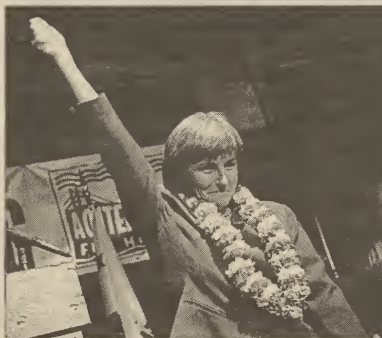
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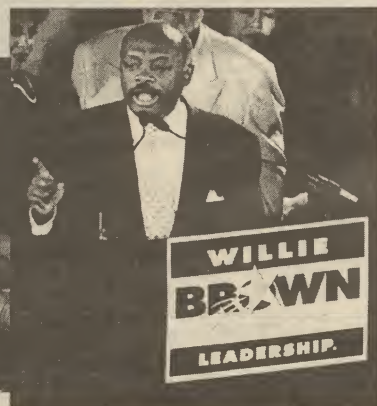
ELECTION WRAP-UP



Surprise success: Supervisor Terence Hallinan was the top vote-getter in the DA's race, outpolling Bill Fazio, who he'll face in a December run-off, and incumbent Arlo Smith. He spoke to gay and lesbian supporters Nov. 2 at Harvey Milk Plaza.



A fond farewell: Defeated mayoral hopeful Roberta Achtenberg salutes her hard-working staff and supporters after her concession speech. The first openly gay candidate for mayor of San Francisco made a strong showing, however, finishing just four percentage points behind the second-place Frank Jordan.



The speaker makes a prophecy: Willie Brown, with many of his supporters flanking him at his victory party headquarters, gleefully predicted Tuesday night that he would beat incumbent Mayor Frank Jordan come December.

Election

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rowly turned back (52-48 percent), giving a welcome victory to gays and lesbians in that state as well as nationwide. The initiative,

supported by right-wing Christian groups, would have barred local laws extending civil rights protections to gays.

The national Democratic Party managed to slow down the Republican Party's sweep of the South by re-electing a Democratic

governor in Kentucky, keeping control of the state legislature in Virginia, and electing Democrats to City Halls in several southern states. The Republican governor of Mississippi, Kirk Fordice, was easily re-elected to a second term, however. ▼

COMMUNITY NEWS

Pasqua

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According to the lawsuit, Meier was working at a Pasqua coffee cart in the financial district and sought to transfer to the Castro area outlet last January.

"On or about January 10, 1994, Larry Mortensen, the Castro Street location manager, interviewed Plaintiff [Meier] for the open position at the Castro Street store," the suit alleges.

During the interview — which lasted more than an hour — Mortensen allegedly asked Meier if he was gay; told him he was "good looking" and that Mortensen was "attracted" to him; and repeatedly caressed his own genital area as he talked with Meier, Wotman said.

'I was sick to my stomach'

"In an effort to interrupt what was becoming an increasingly uncomfortable interview, Plaintiff asked to use the telephone. Plaintiff made a telephone call in the office where he was being interviewed," the suit states.

While Meier was on the phone, Mortensen allegedly grabbed his buttocks, and when Meier turned around, he discovered that Mortensen had taken down his own pants — and coerced Meier into felling him, Wotman said.

A day or later, the Pasqua manager conducted a "follow-up interview," and after expressing ambivalence about hiring Meier, allegedly demanded sexual favors again.

"I was sick to my stomach over it," Meier said. "I just couldn't believe that it was happening and that this was what I had to do to keep my job."

According to the lawsuit, the sexual harassment continued with Mortensen allegedly continuing to ask for sexual favors, and for Meier to meet with him during non-working hours.

In one February, 1995 incident, when Mortensen allegedly grabbed Meier's buttocks, Meier yelled at him in front of other workers to leave him alone and "never to touch him again," according to the suit.

"I did try to report it," Meier said.

But when Meier complained to a shift supervisor about the harassment, he alleges he was told not "to go over Larry Mortensen's head" and complain to upper management.

The harassment worsened, Wotman said, when Mortensen threatened to retaliate against Meier by giving him poor work reviews, transfer him to a less desirable shift, or fire him if he continued to reject his advances.

After Mortensen allegedly put Meier on final disciplinary warning for objecting to the sexual harassment, and Meier complained to a vice-president in the company, Meier was transferred to another store, the suit claims. However, Wotman said, his hours were greatly reduced in retaliation, and Mortensen was not disciplined.

Distinguishing genitals

Mark Zuckerman, the chairman of the board of directors of

Pasqua, Inc., which operates more than a dozen retail outlets throughout San Francisco, said the firm had not yet been served with the lawsuit and could not comment on it.

"First, the single most important thing to know is that we haven't been served with these papers. We have to read exactly what is alleged from an official point of view," Zuckerman told the *Bay Area Reporter*.

However, Zuckerman acknowledged, Pasqua has been aware of the general allegations since Meier raised them earlier this year.

"When the incident arose and we became aware of the problem, we hired an independent human resources consultant to do an investigation," Zuckerman said. "From the report we received, there was absolutely nothing of substance to the matter."

Pasqua has strict personnel policies regarding sexual harassment, he said.

Wotman told the *B.A.R.* that because Meier was coerced into providing oral sex in order to transfer to the site and for continued employment, that he is intimately familiar with and can identify the Pasqua manager's "distinguishing genital characteristics" as proof.

"It's a Michael Jackson kind of thing. In deposition, we can demand to see the evidence," he said.

A jury trial on the sexual assault and battery, harassment, retaliation and intentional infliction of emotional distress, and wrongful termination complaint has been demanded. ▼

Where Is Kairos To Go?

by Dennis Conkin

Kairos, the support center for caregivers of people with AIDS, must move from its eight-year home on Douglas Street by the end of the year, according to executive director John McGrann, and is now looking for a four-bedroom house in an accessible neighborhood.

"The landlord wants to sell, and our lease runs out on December," McGrann told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "In some ways it's another loss for the community—but in some ways we've outgrown the house."

"We need more space for groups and could use a larger living room."

"We don't have to be in the Castro," McGrann said. "We can be anywhere in the city that is accessible, because the epidemic isn't in any one part of the city; it's all over the city."

An essential ingredient for its new facilities—in whatever neighborhood—is that the Kairos house have a yard and be accessible to transportation and parking.

McGrann said that in San Fran-

cisco, the face of AIDS, and AIDS caregivers, continues to change.

"It's not mainly gay men with HIV, it's heterosexual couples, heterosexual people, people of color, and caregivers of people who used drugs," he said.

"There are few services and a lot more stigma for them. How do you reach someone who is closeted or secretive about what they are dealing with?"

Kairos serves an estimated 800 caregivers a year in its dozen weekly support groups, and provides an average of two presentations to groups to AIDS agencies each week. Many local AIDS service organizations also use Kairos facilities to hold workshops and presentations.

Kairos is also well known for its weekly Friday night open houses, which offer caregivers and others involved in serving people with AIDS a chance to network and socialize.

Kairos also publishes a monthly newsletter and provides Internet-based resource information for caregivers.

Caregivers of caregivers

With just three employees and an annual budget of \$275,000, all of it privately raised, Kairos relies on "a lot of volunteer support" to provide its services to caregivers, McGrann told the *Bay Area Reporter*.

And, he added, providing services to caregivers brings its own kind of AIDS burnout.

"Sometimes people are not courteous; they are angry, and we can become targets of their anger, but we try to have a sense of humor," McGrann said. "We try to practice what we preach."

He said that Kairos staff receive counseling and try to keep strict boundaries between their professional and personal lives as much as possible.

"We work eight hours a day, and it's important to leave the work behind when we're done for the day," he said, "and try to have lives beside the work that we are doing for people with AIDS." ▼

For more information about Kairos programs call (415) 861-0877.



Photo: Rick Gerhart

Honoree Tony DeGuzman receives the applause of the crowd at the Eighth Annual Kairos Celebration Nov. 5. He is a fundraising volunteer with the Gay Asian Pacific Alliance. Other recipients honored for their volunteer efforts were (l to r) Robert Sass, Jennifer McLaugh, Dorothy Bartolomucci, Luz "Mima" Perez and Winnie Tran.

UCSF Studies Hispanics' Sexual Behavior, Gender Roles

Business Wire

Such demographic elements as acculturation, age, education, and marital status significantly help explain sexual behavior and gender roles among Hispanics, University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) researcher Fabio Sabogal said Tuesday, October 31.

These factors, he asserts, must

be considered when developing programs to control sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, in this group. The UCSF study concluded that differences in sexual behavior between men and women appear to be more greatly emphasized among Hispanics, as compared to non-Hispanic whites, which indicates a greater disparity in sex role attitudes and behaviors among His-

panic males and females.

The study also found that, in comparison to non-Hispanic white men, Hispanic men are more likely to start having sex earlier and report lower rates of condom use.

"Condoms help prevent HIV," Sabogal said, "yet Hispanics in general have been slow to adopt condom use as a disease prevention or as a contraceptive method." ▼

Cryptosporidiosis Facts Available by Voice or Fax

The Centers for Disease Control now has a voice-fax cryptosporidiosis information telephone system. Callers can listen to recorded messages on cryptosporidiosis and order printed materials, designed for different audiences, by fax. One of the items available is a multi-page fact sheet designed specifically for persons who have HIV infection or AIDS.

The telephone number is (404) 330-1242.

Many of the materials available from the information line are also available from the National Center for Infectious Diseases on the World Wide Web: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/cryp>

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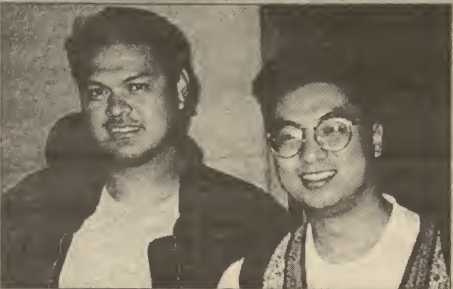


Photo: Karen Ocampo

Charlie Alday (left), 26, and the Living Well Project's Henry Ocampo, 24, were among the San Franciscans who flew to Los Angeles to attend the fifth annual National Skills Building Conference. Over 2000 came to the Oct. 19 event at the Century Plaza Hotel, sponsored by the AIDS Interfaith Network, the National Association of People With AIDS and the National Minority AIDS Council.

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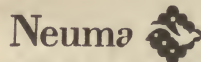
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Elated Elton

From left to right: Connie Hillman (member of the Elton John AIDS Foundation board), Elton John, Dana Miller (holding check), John Scott (member of the EJAF board) and Sara McMullen (also a member). Miller, Entertainment Radio Networks chairman and CEO, recently donated \$200,000 to the EJAF during the famed rocker's appearance at the Hollywood Bowl.

Gay Couple From Israel And Gaza May Reunite Rabin's Legacy of Compassion

by Mike Salinas

Shortly before he was assassinated, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin granted a request by two gay men, one from central Israel and the other from the Gaza Strip, to allow them to live together in Israel.

According to an article by Rachel Sofer in the Israeli newspaper *Yediot Ahronot*, the couple had lived together in Israel for over ten years before the borders between Israel and the Gaza Strip

were closed, making it difficult for them to continue their relationship.

The gay man from Gaza first petitioned the Civilian Administration, explaining that, because his lover was Israeli, he needed a permit to enter Israel and permission to remain there overnight. At first he was granted a one-month resident permit, but the Military Authorities refused to renew his request based on "security concerns."

His Israeli counterpart peti-

tioned several members of parliament from the left until Minister Yossi Sarid of the Citizens Rights Party agreed to present their case to the prime minister.

Authorities confirmed Thursday, October 19 that Rabin's agreement was conveyed to Sarid, and the gay man from Gaza will receive Permanent Residence Status.

Sarid said that the case was judged purely on its humanitarian factors. Rabin was assassinated on November 4. ▼

UK Court Upholds Military Ban

by Simona de Logu, UPI

Four former British armed forces personnel who were discharged for being gay lost their appeal court

battle to overturn the automatic ban on gays in the military on Friday, November 3.

Three appeal court judges ruled the government policy of not allowing avowed homosexuals to join the military, and discharging those who professed to being homosexual after joining, was not unlawful.

"We are pleased that the policy on homosexuals has been examined in depth both in the High Court and in the Court of Appeal and that both courts have concluded that the policy is lawful," a Ministry of Defense spokesman said.

However, when the three gay men and a lesbian first unsuccessfully challenged the ban in the High Court this summer, the judge strongly urged a parliamentary review of the policy. He warned that the "tide of history is against the ministry."

"We may be going against the tide of history in terms of political correctness and in terms of where the world is moving, but we are not going against the tide of history in terms of the operational efficiency of the British armed forces, which are not to be compared with any other armed forces anywhere in the world," said Armed Forces Minister Nicholas Soames Friday.

Nevertheless, the Defense Ministry has set up an assessment team to re-examine its ban on gays in the military, by looking at armed forces in other countries where no ban exists and by soliciting the views of British military personnel.

The team of civil servants and

representatives from the air force, army, and navy are expected to present a report in January.

The ministry previously justified its ban on homosexuals by arguing their sexual orientation impaired discipline and morale, especially in battle or the close confines of barracks or a sea-going vessel.

Angela Mason, executive director for the gay rights lobby group Stonewall, said Friday's judgment was not "discouraging," given the judges' inability to rule any other way in the context of current British constitutional law.

One of the appellants, former Lieutenant Commander Duncan Lustig-Preen, said "because there is no bill of rights, there is no charter of freedoms for the citizens of this country. So even when the government commits the most outrageous breaches of human rights we have no protection in law."

Mason said even though the judges upheld the ban, they had made a "strong call" for the policy to be reviewed, indicating the introduction of a sexual code of conduct into the military would be a more sensible way of proceeding.

The case is now expected to go before the European Court of Human Rights.

Britain's armed forces have fired 250 personnel for being homosexual between 1990 and the end of 1994. The four who brought the test case served as an air force nurse, a navy lieutenant commander, an air force sergeant, and a naval weapons engineer. ▼

Suspect Implicated in Polk Street Homicide Verdict Expected Soon In Dismemberment Killing

United Press International

A verdict is expected Friday, November 10 in the Singapore murder and dismemberment trial of British national John Martin Scripps, courtroom sources said Tuesday.

Scripps, 35, is charged with killing South African tourist Gerard George Lowe, 33, whose severed legs, thighs, and torso were found floating in plastic bags near a Singapore pier in March.

The accused has been linked to other cases in Thailand, Mexico, and the United States, including the unsolved dismemberment murder of San Franciscan Tom Wenger last year.

Scripps earlier admitted in court to killing Lowe, 33, in a fit of fear and rage after Lowe allegedly made sexual advances toward him.

He denied cutting off Lowe's limbs, saying a "British friend," whom he refused to identify for fear of reprisals to his family, disposed of Lowe's body. Scripps learned butchery skills in prison, where he had served time for drug-related offenses in Britain, according to testimony.

He faces the death penalty if convicted of murder.

Defense attorney Edmund Pereira asked Monday, November 6 that the charge against Scripps be reduced to manslaughter.

"The killing occurred in a sudden fight in the heat of passion," he said.

But Deputy Public Prosecutor Jennifer Marie said robbery was the motive in the killing, noting Scripps used Lowe's credit cards to obtain as much as \$7,000 after the murder.

Marie also pointed out Scripps was carrying a hammer, knives, Mace, an electric stun device, handcuffs, and thumbscrews upon his arrest.

Gay panic defense

Scripps and Lowe met at Changi Airport's hotel reservations desk March 8 after arriving in Singapore on different flights and agreed to share a twin room due to a lack of vacancies, Scripps said.

He said he awoke in the night to find Lowe standing over him, smiling and touching his buttocks.

"I freaked out and quickly kicked out at him ... he then came towards me and I used the hammer ... to hit him several times on the head until he collapsed onto the carpeted floor," Scripps testified.

The hammer, which Scripps said he used for camping, fell out of a bag during the initial scuffle with Lowe, he said.

Lowe's wife, Vanessa Lynn Lowe, testified her husband was not a homosexual.

"We had a healthy sexual life," she said. "He was definitely not a homosexual, and he told me if we had a son who was homosexual he would disown him."

Scripps was arrested March 19 upon landing at Singapore's Changi International Airport after flying from Phuket, Thailand.

Police found Scripps in possession of Lowe's passport and credit cards, along with those of Canadian schoolteacher Sheila Damude, 49, and her son Darin Damude, 23, whose severed heads and limbs were found in March near a popular resort beach in Phuket, Thailand.

Scripps claimed he had no memory of meeting the Damudes and said the same British friend he claimed disposed of Lowe's body

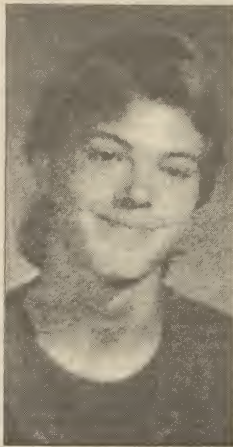
had given him their belongings, along with the cuffs and weapons he was carrying.

Scripps was arrested for drug trafficking in Britain in 1987 and 1992 and escaped custody on both occasions. Upon arrest in Singapore he also had passports bearing the names John Martin Scripps, John Martin, and Simon James Davis.

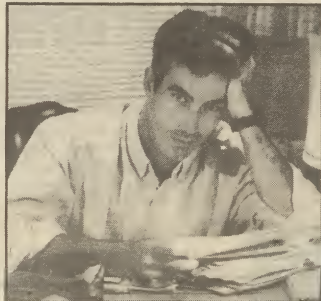
Bank and police records have placed him in Mexico and San Francisco near the times of similar dismemberment homicides there.

Scripps is separated from his wife and has a daughter, according to reports in Singapore.

Soft-spoken and well-groomed throughout the month-long trial, Scripps sometimes appeared to have memory lapses during his testimony, but he remained calm and composed through hours of cross-examination - and sometimes exchanged jokes with attorneys and the police officers guarding him. ▼



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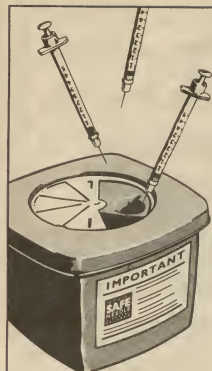
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SCIENCE NEWS

Bad News on the Peptide T Front ...

Business Wire

Drug Royalty Corporation Inc. reported Friday, October 27 that Peptide Technology Limited intends to terminate all further activities and investment in the development of Peptide T for HIV/AIDS.

This decision follows the recent disclosure of preliminary results of primary efficacy data by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), that there is no evidence that Peptide T has an effect on neuropsychological performance in HIV-seropositive individuals who have cognitive impairment. The NIMH study was conducted using

a nasal administration of Peptide T in a double-blind, placebo controlled trial. Further data analyses are pending.

Drug Royalty has royalty interests with Peptide Technology Limited in Peptide T for HIV/AIDS and GMDP. As of August 31, 1995 Drug Royalty had an investment of \$2.2 million in its royalty interest in Peptide T. Peptide Technology commenced a major U.S. multicenter Phase II trial with Peptide T using subcutaneous administration for AIDS patients in early 1995.

Under its royalty agreement with Drug Royalty for Peptide T, Peptide Technology Limited has certain contractual obligations to

assist in the transfer of the ownership of the license for Peptide T for HIV/AIDS and related clinical information to Drug Royalty.

Drug Royalty Corporation Inc. is the first public Canadian company to provide shareholders with a means of participating in the global pharmaceutical industry by developing and acquiring royalty rights in emerging and existing drugs. Drug Royalty has royalty interests in 30 drug products in various stages of development and drug development activities with strategic partner companies in Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, the United States, and Denmark. ▼

Cytel To Assume Theradigm Peptide Research from Scripps

May lead to vaccines for hepatitis, TB, HIV, cancer

Business Wire

San Diego-based Cytel Corporation announced Tuesday, Oc-

tober 17 it has acquired the Scripps Research Institute's minority interest in Sequel Therapeutics Inc., and will receive rights to Theradigm immune stimulation technology and the resulting vaccines.

Theradigm immune stimulation technology provides a novel therapeutic approach to selectively stimulating the human immune system, to produce a disease-specific response from white blood cells, or cytotoxic T-lymphocytes (CTLs). The underlying Theradigm technology is a construct of an antigenic peptide - a small fragment of a targeted, foreign antigen that can be recognized by and stimulate specific CTLs - and a modular method of delivering the peptide to the immune system. By substituting peptides appropriate for specific diseases, Cytel believes it can develop therapeutics for a variety of chronic infectious diseases and cancer.

The company's lead compound based on this technology is Theradigm-HBV, which has been shown to induce a CTL immune response to the hepatitis B virus in

healthy subjects. Cytel is also working on applying the Theradigm technology to treatment of hepatitis C, HIV, tuberculosis, fungal diseases, and prostate, breast, and lung cancers. The company recently won a \$3.3-million grant from Strategic Programs for Innovative Research on AIDS Treatment to develop Theradigm technology as an immunotherapeutic vaccine for HIV-1 infection.

Two Phase II trials with Theradigm-HBV are now underway, one in chronic active hepatitis and one in chronic carriers of the virus. A Phase I/II trial with Theradigm-HPV is underway for the treatment of cervical cancer associated with human papilloma virus (HPV). Another Theradigm compound, CY 2010, is being evaluated in a Phase I/II study as an adjuvant to surgery in early stage melanoma patients.

Cytel Corporation is a leader in the discovery, design, and development of immunotherapeutics, a new class of drugs that it believes will be more selective and have fewer side effects than drugs currently on the market. ▼

AZT Resistance Test Studied

Business Wire

Novato, California-based Glyko Biomedical Ltd. announced Monday, October 30 that it was awarded a grant of \$60,000 in June from the Pediatric AIDS Foundation to explore a novel test for AZT drug resistance in HIV patients.

"Certain mutations of HIV are associated with resistance to the drug AZT as a therapy," continued

John Klock, M.D., Glyko's president. "HIV is a rapidly mutating virus which can quickly become resistant to AZT treatment. The test we are working on will provide the treating physician with information to make better treatment choices based on knowing whether drug resistance has developed."

Over 50,000 patients are estimated to be on AZT therapy in the United States alone. ▼

Improved Hepatitis C Treatment Announced in SF

by Mary Jean Pramik,
UPI

A new experimental drug for hepatitis C appears to cause fewer side effects than the only currently accepted treatment, and to be more effective at keeping the disease from recurring, scientists said Friday, October 27.

The treatment, if approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, could benefit an estimated 3.5 million Americans infected with the virus, the most common cause of liver transplants.

Hepatitis C can be transmitted by body fluids — intravenous drug users are especially at risk — but half of those diagnosed with the disease claim to have none of the known risk factors. People with hepatitis can show no symptoms whatsoever.

Between 150,000 and 170,000 new cases of hepatitis C are diagnosed each year. The total number of cases, 3.5 million, contrasts with the 1.5 million Americans with hepatitis B, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

Hepatitis C ranks as the top killer of the hepatitis diseases. Some one percent to two percent of its victims die each year, and 20 percent suffer liver failure.

Despite its destructive ability, the hepatitis C virus was not identified until 1987, by East Bay scientists at Chiron Corporation in Emeryville.

Currently only interferon



Dr. Teresa L. Wright

alpha, a genetically-engineered product, is available to treat chronic hepatitis C.

Remember the Name: Lymphoblastoid!

In announcing the results of a 63-center U.S. study, UCSF researchers said a new type of interferon was more effective for the 1,071 patients enrolled in the trial. They described the effects

of the drug, Glaxo-Wellcome's lymphoblastoid interferon, at a meeting of the American Liver Foundation.

The main problem with interferon alpha is that it does not keep the disease from recurring: most patients treated with interferon alpha have another bout of hepatitis C, according to Dr. Teresa L. Wright, principal investigator in the study at the UCSF/Veterans Administration Hospital.

In the new study, some 35 percent of patients responded to the new lymphoblastoid interferon treatment, while 38 percent got better on interferon alpha.

However, 11 percent of all patients on lymphoblastoid interferon remained free of their hepatitis, while only eight percent of the interferon alpha-treated patients did. Wright called this a significant difference for hepatitis C recurrence rates.

In addition, the patients reported fewer side effects with the new treatment. The current drug causes minor side effects such as flu-like symptoms in many people.

"We are encouraged from these trial results that lymphoblastoid interferon may be useful as an alternative therapy for chronic hepatitis C virus infection," said Dr. Bruce R. Bacon, professor of medicine and director, division of gastroenterology and hepatology at the St. Louis University School of Medicine. ▼

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Oligo-garchy: NeXstar Specifically Targets HIV

Business Wire

NeXstar Pharmaceuticals Inc. has published a review of its SELEX combinatorial chemistry process for drug discovery in the October issue of the journal *Chemistry and Biology*.

This article "Let's Get Specific: The Relationship Between Specificity and Affinity," by NeXstar scientists Bruce Eaton, Ph.D., vice president of chemistry; Larry Gold, Ph.D., chairman and chief scientific officer; and Dominic A. Zichi, director of structural biology, describes the factors that allow the SELEX process to generate and identify drug candidates with specificities and affinities beyond those produced by any other combinatorial chemistry method. SELEX, the Systematic Evolution of Ligands by EXponential Enrichment, is an iterative process by which high affinity, high specificity parenteral drug candidates are rapidly identified from enormous libraries of oligonucleotides, or oligos. These oligos, designed to be stable in physiological fluids, are easily modified to produce drug candidates with suitable pharmacokinetic properties.

The *Chemistry and Biology* article highlights the fact that oligos, a family of molecules that includes DNA and RNA, are capable of forming a variety of novel shapes, the key to creating new drugs.

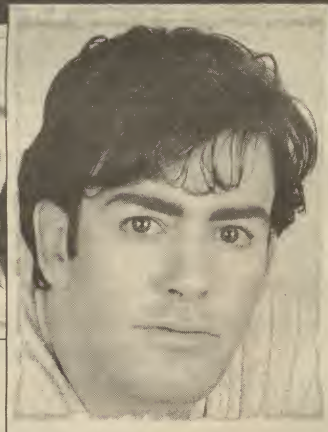
"For the most part, oligos have largely been thought of as the repository of information and not

as chemically functional molecules, or 'tapes, not shapes,'" Gold said. "What we've shown is that huge libraries of oligonucleotides contain a wealth of shapes from which you can fish out those few molecules with the correct shapes to bind tightly to — and only to — a desired therapeutic target. SELEX gives us the ability to find those few shapes."

As an example of a drug candidate developed using the SELEX process, Eaton, Gold, and Zichi discuss the company's efforts at developing compounds capable of killing HIV-1. This work, performed as part of a research and development collaboration with Progenesis, has identified oligos capable of inactivating multiple HIV-1 proteins. Preclinical experiments with one of these oligos, designed to inactivate the HIV-1 protein reverse transcriptase (HIV-1 RT), showed the potential drug conferred resistance to HIV-1 infection.

According to Gold, "This article also reflects, for us, the appropriate goals of any combinatorial chemistry program: to identify high potency compounds with enormous specificity, which are the keys to creating potent and safe drugs." Adds Dr. Eaton, who is directing the development of a small-molecule extension of the SELEX process, "NeXstar's reiterative small molecule combinatorial chemistry program, Parallel SELEX, is driven by the same goals applied to problem of creating orally active drug molecules." ▼

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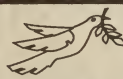
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Deadline for all obituaries is Monday at 5 p.m.

Michael A. Burns 1951-1995

Michael passed peacefully from this life at Ralph K. Davies Medical Center on Halloween.



With him were friends and family to help him on his journey. Michael fought his AIDS battle with dignity and courage, rarely complaining and meeting each challenge as it came.

His career in graphic arts and publishing included associations with Addison-Wesley Publishers, Krames Communications, Innovation Graphics, American Medical Reports, Bancroft-Whitney Publishers, Sullivan and Associates Graphic Design, The San Francisco Library, New Conservatory Theatre Center, American Youth Hostels and Hot Shot Productions.

Michael will be long remembered by his friends and family in California, New Mexico and Ohio for his crooked smile, stubborn yet generous spirit and wonderful artwork. A gathering will be held in his honor on Nov. 18 at 24-1/2 Hill Street at 2 p.m. For more information call 759-0446. ▼

Gary Patock

Sept. 3, 1958 - Oct. 26, 1995

They aren't sure what happened, but late Thursday night, Oct. 26, Gary Patock was beaten badly and was forced to leave his body. This was an understandable decision, because you can't be on the earth when your container is broken.

Some people use the words "hate crime" to describe this. They are wrong, because you can't "hate" somebody you don't know, and these people didn't know Gary. He was very tall, and strong, and really gentle and quiet...some might say a bit too serious (career and all you know).

While on earth Gary loved David. Now, armed with memories of their life together, Gary will no doubt counsel David from within the quiet of David's mind, saying things like "Think carefully about that" and "Are you certain you want that?"

It is normal that we resist letting go. We're angry and frustrated and sad. Oh, we are sad!

When we finish crying, and when we stop resisting, we can let Gary live on with love in our hearts and peace in our lives. ▼

James Dale Mimms

Jan. 1, 1928 - Oct. 27, 1995

Jim Mimms died after a long illness at Laguna Honda Hospice, nine years after his longtime companion, John Conway.



Jim was born in Texas but had lived in San Francisco many years, at least 22 years in his dream home at 158-160 Eureka Street. He loved his backyard, and it shows still. He was a retired hairdresser, a wonderful painter, great cook and a very gentle man.

Jim will be missed by his sister-in-law, Mary Ann Mimms, and her son, both of Modesto, Calif., and Congo Moore, a longtime friend and tenant. A celebration of Jim's life will be held in his backyard on Saturday, Nov. 11, after 2 p.m. ▼

Louis Earl Mayo

Sept. 18, 1954 - Oct. 16, 1995

Louis packed a lot of living into his 41 years. Those of us who shared in his life and came to be with him as he began his journey into eternity are grateful for our experiences with Louis; we will miss him.



Born and raised in Anchorage, Alaska, Louis was a member of the National Honor Society in high school. He received his BS degree in marketing from San Francisco State in 1982. He worked in human resources, editing, computer systems and as a legal secretary.

Louis traveled extensively in Europe and enjoyed living in Seattle, Boston, North Carolina, Atlanta, Minneapolis and Los Angeles. He returned regularly to his home bases in Alaska and San Francisco. An avid reader, Louis had special gifts in art, writing and music. His quick wit, sense of humor and whimsical smile endeared him to many. Always generous to his friends, Louis also did volunteer work, especially for AIDS organizations.

Among the survivors are his mother, Barbara; sisters, Sue and Sheri; nephew, Christopher; niece, Dawn; friends, Judy, Barry, Fred, Tom, Carl and Gladys; and his beloved cat, Noodle. Memorial services will be held in Anchorage on Nov. 11 and at the Russian River. ▼

John Michael Silva

Dec. 19, 1962 - Oct. 3, 1995

John was a lover. He loved life, music, flowers, cooking and nature. His friends will all agree that he also loved to gossip, was always ready to "party," and yet he was happiest when fishing with his dad.



John would take in all that life had to offer and then some. He was a devout Catholic and loved his church. He recently professed as a Franciscan friar in the Paraclete. He was also active with the Imperial Star Empire of Alameda County and contributed articles to the monthly newsletter.

John, 33, died peacefully at St. Rose Hospital in Hayward, California, on October 3 after a 10-year heroic battle with AIDS. At the time of his death, he was surrounded by friends, family, members of his church, and his longtime caregiver and friend, Kenny Burgdorff.

John is survived by his parents, Daniel and Darlene Silva; sister, Kim Pastore; and brother, Daniel Silva Jr. John's friends arranged a funeral service Oct. 7 in Oakland at the Colonial Chapel. A memorial Mass was celebrated at All Saints Catholic Church in Hayward on Saturday, Oct. 28. Memorial contributions may be made to Vesper Hospice in San Leandro or the charity of your choice. ▼

Robert Allan

July 8, 1958 - Oct. 16, 1995

Robert Allan passed away on Monday, Oct. 16. Born in Massachusetts,

Robert was raised through high school in Leominster. He then spent four years in Boston working as a data entry operator before moving to San Francisco in 1981.

Until his disability retirement a year and a half ago, Robert was self-employed as a respected program analyst. He was an outgoing, generous man who enjoyed country western dancing, music of all kinds and cooking.

Robert is survived by his parents, Robert and Gloria Lucier of Leominster, Mass.; sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Lawrence Dion of Leominster, Mass.; brother and sister-in-law, Gene and Pam Lucier of San Jose, Calif.; niece, Donna Cormier of Ashby, Mass.; nephew, Scott Dion of Leominster, Mass.; a host of relatives; and friends in San Francisco and Boston.

Robert's remains will be distributed in San Francisco and Boston. A special thank you to the staff of Kaiser Hospital and to his friends and neighbors. Robert's family requests that any donations be directed to Project Open Hand, 2720 17th St., SF, CA 94110. We miss you, Rob. ▼

Mark David Monteleone

May 14, 1957 - Oct. 23, 1995

Mark Monteleone passed away at his home in Laguna Beach on Oct. 23. His parents and friends were at his side.



Mark moved to San Francisco in the late '70s and managed Marcello's on Castro. Later he successfully created his own business, Tile Concepts, and established a reputation as quite a tile craftsman both in Northern and Southern California.

Mark loved the gym, dancing, cooking, Yosemite, Laguna and his big truck. Most of all he loved people and life.

Mark will be grievously missed by his parents, Gwen and Chuck; siblings, Kim, Terry, and Chas; close friends, Darryl, Gary, Mark, Jim, Greg and Lee; and so many others whose lives he enriched or kitchens and baths he made more beautiful. A kinder, happier, more handsome man I've never known. Bye, Babe.

Contributions in Mark's name would be greatly appreciated by the AIDS Services Foundation of Orange County, 17982 Sky Park Circle, Irvine, CA 92714-6303. ▼

Paul Francis Kufryn

May 20, 1956 - Aug. 27, 1995

Having lost his battle with AIDS, Paul Kufryn passed away on Aug. 27.



Even though Paul lived with the inevitability of his death for over ten years, he continued to live his life with the unbridled spirit, intensity and compassion of a man with his whole life ahead of him. Only 39 years old, Paul touched many lives, made countless friends, and will be immeasurably missed by all who knew him.

Paul was preceded in death last November by his partner, William Forman. Paul loved cats, the 49ers, dancing, music, Star Trek and being a part of the excitement of the Castro. He was proud to be a part of the struggle to find a cure for AIDS and participated in a variety of painful medical experiments to help find a cure for what ultimately killed him.

Paul's ashes were cast into the wind on Sept. 27 on Tank Hill, where he would often watch the lights of the city. Even though his life is over, he would want us to "Think Good Thoughts."

Paul was an environmental engineer and a graduate of the University of Missouri at Columbia, where a memorial scholarship program has been set up. ▼

Luke Blair

Dec. 21, 1954 - Oct. 29, 1995

Luke Blair ("Jennifer") was born in Houston, Texas, and died in his sleep at UCSF Hospital on the afternoon of Oct. 29. He had lived in San Francisco the last eight years.



Luke's name at birth was Joseph, but he renamed himself "Luke" after Luke Skywalker. He had a hard life. His father died when he was a child, and his mother abandoned him when he was 12. He learned how to survive on his own.

Luke always had a warm heart, good character, a willingness to work hard and a lot of charm. He is missed very much by his roommate, Jimmy Bryant, and many other friends. ▼

Victor McCauley

Dear Victor—You know, Victor, we were really upset that you finally got up and went to heaven on us. After all, the doctors said that you were supposed to leave months earlier. But you always did things in your own way and your own time, so we figured that God was going to have to wait for you just like everybody else. We were hoping that you might stick around for a while, at least until we were actually ready to say good-bye.

The trouble is, we would have never been ready, or willing, or even able to say good-bye. You were beautiful and outrageous, and the world is a lesser place without you. Given a choice in the matter, we would have kept you here forever.

But God had other plans, and now you are gone. Perhaps He felt that we were blessed simply to have known you, and of course, He is correct. We should celebrate your life and rejoice in your passing to a more glorious place. But nonetheless, Victor, we remain heartbroken at losing you, so we hope God understands when we cry.

Love always—Your family, friends and co-workers. ▼

OBITUARIES

Brian LeFevre October 29, 1995

With his sister and friends at hand, Brian passed away at home in SF on Oct. 29 at the age of 44. A Zen Buddhist since his early twenties, Brian lived several years at the Zen monastery at Tassajara and later practiced at the SF Zen Center. He also loved Barcelona, Spain, where he lived and worked. More recently, Brian taught ESL at the Jewish Community Center in SF.

Brian's sister, Kathy, and his close friend, Barbara Kastner, took wonderful care of Brian and made the last months of his life especially filled with love. Brian always took delight in the sight of a beautiful man, and he loved the gay community. He touched our hearts with his remarkable warmth, intellect and character. We will miss his wit and sense of humor. We wish him an auspicious transition filled with the blessings and guidance of the Buddhas and bodhisattvas.

A memorial service will be held at the SF Zen Center, 300 Page Street, on Friday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. Friends are invited to attend. Offerings may be made to the SF Zen Center. ▽

Stanley Rowland

June 19, 1955 - Oct. 29, 1995

Stanley Rowland passed away suddenly at Laguna Honda Hospital on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 3 a.m. He was very much loved by his brother, Alexander L. Rowland; his mother, Janet L. Rowland; and by his many friends. He will live on in our memories. Stanley's family wishes for any donations to be sent to Family Link, 317 Castro St., SF, CA 94114. Memorial services will be held. For information please contact Ray at 467-6782. ▽

Jamie R. DiSalvo October 28, 1995

Jamie R. DiSalvo passed away on Saturday, Oct. 28, at the age of 39. He fought cancer and AIDS with courage and dignity. Beloved son of Geraldine and Charles Applegarth also Russell and Jackie DiSalvo, he leaves behind nine brothers and sisters with many nieces and nephews.

Jamie died peacefully, at home in Amherst, New York, surrounded by family after slipping into a coma. His death came approximately one year after the death of his lover, Sid Smith.

Jamie's friends will always remember him for his integrity, generosity, incredible sense of humor, undying loyalty, lust for life - and all with a child's heart.

Memorial services were held by his family in Amherst on Wednesday, Nov. 1. There will also be a private celebration of Jamie's life held by close friends in San Francisco. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Family Link, 317 Castro St., SF, CA 94114. ▽

Steven D. DeWitt

Dec. 10, 1964 - Oct. 22, 1995

Steven died unexpectedly at his home here in San Francisco. Born in The City, he grew up in Sonoma, returning to San Francisco five years ago. He loved his job, socializing with friends and his volunteer work.

Steven was a very giving person and was involved with many AIDS organizations. This past year he was named Outstanding Volunteer for the San Francisco AIDS Walk.

Steven's life will be remembered at a memorial service to be held Nov. 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1668 Bush Street at Gough. ▽

Christopher Allen Santell Oct. 7, 1966 - Nov. 1, 1995

The Lord has a new angel, Christopher Santell, who suddenly passed from this life on November 1 at the tender age of 29. Chris, a native of Sharon, Penn., was a San Francisco resident for about 13 years. He is survived by his wife, Carol Soto; adopted father, Dennis Breen; grandfather, Albert Brown, of Hornbrook, Calif.; and six siblings who live in Pennsylvania.

Chris was a kind, generous and talented man who will be deeply missed. He was a painter, musician, chef, bowler and pool player. He belonged to various pool teams around the city and finished at or near the top in tournaments. He was a gentle spirit and a loving husband, in addition to being a most extraordinary individual. He was loyal, caring and understanding with his friends.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, Nov. 10, at Metropolitan Community Church (150 Eureka St.) at 6 p.m. ▽

Clinton John Clark

Aug. 7, 1952 - Nov. 1, 1995

Today, Nov. 1, we said good-bye to our lover of 15-1/2 years, our son of 43 years, our brother, cousin, uncle and friend. Today we said good-bye to a heart of gold, a giver of love and a liver of life. Today we placed another panel on the AIDS Quilt. You will be sorely missed and forever in our hearts and thoughts. We love you.

Clinton John Clark was raised in Seattle but called San Francisco his home. He died at his residence as was his wish. Services were held Tuesday, Nov. 7, at Woodlawn Chapel. Any donations should be sent to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. ▽

Dancing in the Dark



Photo: E.G.G. Allen

These two Day of the Dead celebrants worked their fiery magic and shed some light in the darkness at DOD festivities Nov. 2 at New College in the Mission. Later, the two women smiled when they swallowed each other's flaming digits as the pageant slowly wound its way to Dolores Park.

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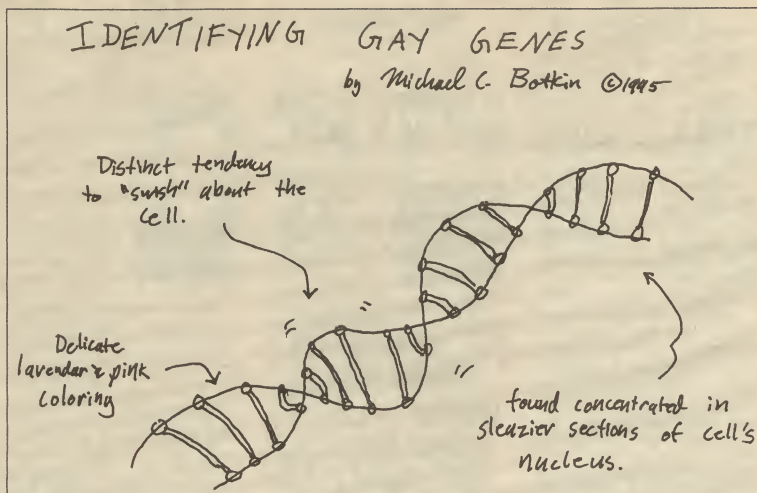
The searchers for the gay gene have announced new progress. Although they encouraged reporters to "please, please, don't read too much into this," some dailies naturally headlined the story, "Gay Gene Found!" I don't think they've actually found the "gay gene," so I'll explain below what I think they did find. But the continued pursuit of the gay gene increasingly worries me. Like the A-bomb, it has great potential to become "Evil Science," usable only for genocide whatever its developers think or intend.

A couple months back, I made the distinction between "Bad Science" and "Evil Science," on the occasion of some animal rights activists denouncing a proposed baboon-to-human bone-marrow transplant as "bad science." They were really trying to defame it as evil science. Bad science is research that's poorly done, that can't hope to answer the questions it asks. Evil science is research

that works, but toward an evil end. No one can say that the nuclear scientists who developed the A-bomb were "bad" scientists. They were, unfortunately, geniuses. Nor were they evil most likely, but their product definitely was.

As it happens, the gay gene research is both bad and evil, and the former dilutes the threat of the latter. But it is a line of research that can only lead to trouble for the queer community, and I fail to see any possible benefit in return for the certainty that if a "gay gene" were identified, some people would abort fetuses carrying it. That this is absurd and foolish makes it no less inevitable, given the current state of homophobic prejudice.

The research is bad because it is hopelessly flawed by selection. In contemporary society, it is impossible to get honest answers from people about their sexuality. So identifying queer subjects is problematic; you have to be sure that the homos you find are representative of the general population of homos. Yet the mere fact that you identified them so easily



proves that they are significantly different from the majority of gays, who have learned from bitter experience to stay in the closet.

So the researchers found some genetic similarities between queers who answered their ads and their openly queer siblings. Aha! Obviously the gay gene—but is it? It seems more likely that they've found a gene for compulsive honesty, which may indeed be "associated" with being openly gay, but is still pretty far off from the goal. The fact is that with a selection process so tainted, their research cannot hope to answer the question it asks, thus defining it as bad science. This encourages me a little, but not much. So they'll be flushing honest babies instead of queer ones; it's still evil.

Witch-hunt technology

Of course bad science has less potential to be evil than good science. I grappled with this issue back in graduate school. I got into an argument with Marty, a particularly smug and ambitious professor, about the existence of "gaydar" or the ability of queers to identify each other without others present ever catching on. He insisted that such a phenomenon did not, indeed, *could* not, exist.

Commentary

That night, frustrated by his persistent ignorance, I designed a study to prove the existence of "gaydar." The more I worked on it, the better it looked. It could hardly fail, it would prove my point, and it would be a very neat piece of psychometry. Getting it published would be a breeze and a very big accomplishment for a graduate student in psychology.

However, around 2 a.m. it dawned on me that what I was designing was a method for identifying queers without their consent, by simple observation of subtle cues. Could this technology, once published, be used by homophobes to witch-hunt gays? It would require the assistance of at least three or four queer turncoats to calibrate the system and train the scorers, but I already knew from bitter experience that thousands were available (after all, the Uncle Tom's Cabin Gay Republicans currently claim 10,000 members). The science, alas, was good; the technology was solid; it could be turned to whatever use one wished.

But what about the benefits, I asked myself. Upon examination they seemed to fade. I would really show Marty, but would it really challenge the homophobia which was the root of his determined ignorance? I would get published, but expressing any interest in "queer" topics was still pretty much the kiss of death in most prestigious academic institutions. The cachet of publishing would be offset by the scandal of caring about such issues. It would prove that "gaydar" exists, but was there any benefit to the queer community of having mainstream society know this? We already know it exists, without any need of a study to "prove" it to us.

Finally, I decided not to bother doing the study. Partly it was because I'm lazy and it would have been a lot of work (in particular getting anything related to sex through a human resources review committee), but partly because I couldn't see any way in which the likely benefits could offset the likely costs.

Certain evil

The gay gene researchers mean well, I'm sure, but I doubt they've really calculated the likely impact

of their work. Once they've identified a "gay gene," some people are going to screen for it and attempt to eliminate it. They may consider this a misuse of their studies, but there will be nothing they can do about it once the knowledge is out there. As with the A-bomb, getting the genie back in the bottle will prove impossible.

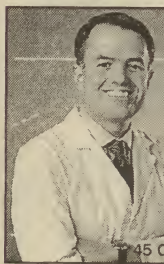
Given the probability, nay certainty, that this evil will result, what good can we throw into the balance to justify the search for the gay gene? Many hope that it will "prove" that homosexuality is natural, and that this will disarm hostility and prejudice against us.

Who do you hope to so convince? The fundamentalists are campaigning to teach creationism in the schools, brushing aside the entire disciplines of archeology, paleontology, and biology. People so immune to reason and scientific logic are unlikely to be persuaded by the cloudy graphs of geneticists. Anybody at all susceptible to scientific logic already accepts the impressive evidence currently available from psychological, sociological, and anthropological research suggesting that homosexual behavior is both universal and "normal."

And suppose the research shows that the gene is "defective" in some way, perhaps fails to produce a protein or overproduces the vital protein. This would then "prove" that homosexuality is a deficiency, a flaw in nature's design, and encourage future research to "repair" this "flaw." The homophobes working the lecture circuit would gladly make this new data the centerpiece of their twisted rhetoric of hate and ignorance.

Given the great potential for harm and the lack of possible beneficial outcome, I don't see any reason why the gay community should assist this research. When researchers come around asking your help—and they should be advertising for "subjects" pretty soon—think twice. If you've got a gay sibling, you probably think researching the connection is pretty neat, and a general desire to increase knowledge about homosexuality adds to the push. But ask them, "How will you keep this information from being used to eliminate 'gay genes'?"

If they can satisfy you, go ahead. Also, please call me and tell me what argument they used. I would dearly love to be convinced myself, though it won't be easy. But if they can't give a reasonable answer or try to pooh-pooh your concerns, turn them down. Fine intentions butter no parsnips, and there's a whole generation of nuclear scientists who bitterly regret their work on the Manhattan Project. The gay gene researchers' science is bad enough that we needn't get too upset over it, but it's still evil enough that we shouldn't help it along, either. ▼



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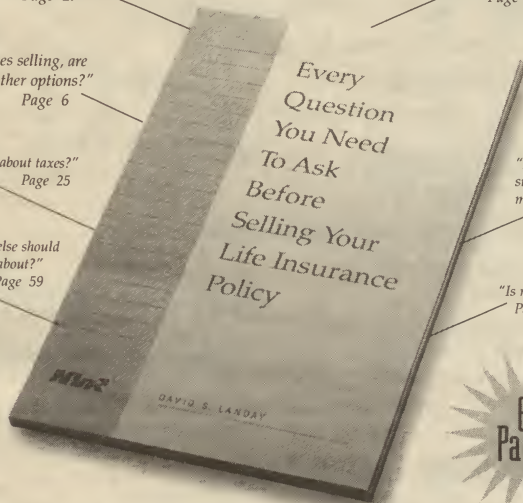
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Thrashing Through Thrush

by G'dali Braverman
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In coffee-klatch jargon we call it "thrush." At the doctor's office it's referred to as "Candidiasis." Package inserts may refer to it as a "yeast infection." Any way you slice it, it's the most common fungal infection found in people with HIV at all stages of disease. Over 90% of people with AIDS have oropharyngeal candidiasis.

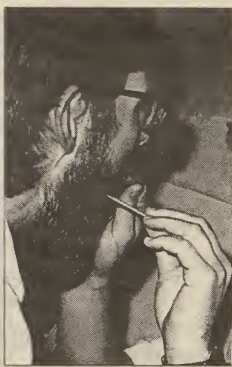
Having a fungal infection on your tongue, in your mouth, or down your throat may seem like child's play when compared to some of the life-threatening infections PWAs face. Talk to someone suffering through recurrent or persistent yeast infections and you'll hear otherwise! That thick coat of white cheesy substance can make your life miserable. Thrush can have a dangerous impact on one's ability to eat, affect one's approach to intimacy, and be generally painful and upsetting.

To date, many physicians have relied upon mycelox troches (clotrimazole) for treatment of thrush. Patients are prescribed the lozenges, which are sucked on throughout the day. While patients don't complain about taste, convenience is an issue and efficacy rates vary widely. Some physicians prescribe nystatin rinse, a liquid solution that patients swish and gargle. Still others rely upon fluconazole (diflucan) or itraconazole (sporanox; informally called "itra") for patients at later stages of HIV disease or patients with more severe thrush. Clinical trials comparing these treatment have been, at best, limited.

Recent data from three studies was presented at the September '95 ICAAC (Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy) meeting. The studies shed new light on the management of thrush in HIV/AIDS patients.

The first study compared two dose regimens of a new oral solution of itraconazole to fluconazole capsules. A total of 244 patients with Oral Candidiasis were randomly assigned to receive either itraconazole solution 100 mg twice a day for 7 days, itraconazole solution 100 mg per day for 14 days, or fluconazole capsules 100 mg per day for 14 days. The results showed that while only 84% of patients receiving itra for seven days responded to treatment, there was no difference between the 14 day treatments of either drug; 91% of patients showed clinical response, and 24% of patients relapsed by day 18, regardless of treatment.

The second study used slightly different regimens of the same treatments and focused on patients with Oral-pharyngeal Candidiasis. Patients either received itra 200 mg per day for seven days, itra 200 mg per day for 14 days, or fluconazole 100 mg per day for 14 days. The mean CD4 count for patients entering this study was 146.



Over 90 percent of PWAs have thrush.

The results of this study indicated that itra was at least as effective as fluconazole, with the 14-day itra patients showing the best clinical responses (97%) and least relapse. Half the patients who responded to treatment did relapse after 35 days.

The results of these two studies have significant clinical implications. Many physicians have previously resisted prescribing fluconazole for several reasons. First off, fluconazole is very expensive when used as a chronic (daily) suppressive therapy. For public health centers this cost is a major consideration. Of course, HMOs don't look kindly upon expensive prescriptions either. From an epidemiological vantage point, physicians have been concerned by the potential development of fluconazole resistance. Since fluconazole has been used as the standard of care maintenance therapy for life-threatening infections such as cryptococcal meningitis, it is important to preserve its viability.

Finally, fluconazole poses drug interaction concerns with compounds such as rifabutin and possibly protease inhibitors. These first two studies of candidiasis provide clinicians with an ethical and scientifically sound rationale for not prescribing fluconazole capsules as first-line therapy.

The third study compared 100 mg daily fluconazole suspension (liquid formulation) to nystatin liquid 5 ml four times per day. The 166 AIDS patients enrolled were treated for 14 days and evaluated at days 0, 3, 7, and 14. Patients showing complete response were then seen 28 and 42 days later. Results showed that at day 14, 87% of patients receiving fluconazole (and only 49% of those receiving nystatin) had complete resolution. Laboratory analysis showed culture negativity in 61% of patient isolates taken from those treated with fluconazole, as opposed to only 7% negative in the nystatin group. Relapse rates amongst responders favored those treated with fluconazole at day 28, with no significant difference at day 42.

The clear conclusion was superiority of fluconazole liquid over nystatin rinse.

While these three studies provide patients and clinicians with new data to guide us through treatment options, there are still many questions left unanswered. We know that itraconazole in the pill formulation is susceptible to degradation when taken with rifabutin (for MAI) or rifampin (for TB). Does the same effect hold true for the liquid formulation of itraconazole? We also know that bioavailability of itra pills increases 30% when taken with food and Coca-Cola. Will acid-levels impact on effect of the liquid formulation? Researchers will need to study these issues more closely.

While all this scientific information is truly important, it is critical to note that changes in diet can be central to effecting thrush. Cutting back on foods that yeast feeds on is an excellent adjunctive therapy. Particularly at earlier stages of HIV infection, dietary management of thrush can be highly effective. This means reducing sugar and alcohol intake. It's amazing to see just how much relief one can get by reducing a yeast culprit such as beer. For more tips on management of persistent and recurrent oral-pharyngeal candidiasis ask your physician to refer you to an HIV nutritionist. Ongoing consultations should be made as one's health status changes. ▼

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The Votes Are In and the First Lesbian Mayor Is On the Way

by Mary Ann Swissler

The 1.9 square mile strip of Los Angeles County called West Hollywood made history as a new city—and the first place to elect a lesbian mayor—11 years ago, this week in 1984.

The formerly unincorporated area was already known for its high concentration of the elderly when, starting in the 1950s, it also became home to gays and lesbians seeking relief from harassment at the bars by Los Angeles Police Department officers. By 1984, gay residents made up an estimated 40 percent of its residents, and there were more than 100 gay-owned or gay-oriented bars, banks, health clubs, restaurants, and retail stores, mostly on the western side of town; Jewish cafes, stores and synagogues dotted the east side.

On November 6, 1984, both sides of town came together, opted for cityhood, and elected three gay and lesbian leaders.

Los Angeles County's dizzying number of unincorporated areas make cityhood a nearly predictable rite of passage for all communities wanting control over their own borders. Cityhood benefits the sub-communities within West Hollywood by giving them a measure of control they did not enjoy as a quaint parcel of land with little or no political clout in the L.A. County Board of Supervisors.

But what made West Hollywood big news was its unique combination of citizens: although the gay and elderly populations rarely tread into each other's worlds, they found they shared many concerns and attributes, such as rental habits. (According to *The Los Angeles Times*, tenants

made up 88 percent of the total population in West Hollywood.) Together the two groups made it work, gathering nearly 5,000 signatures in a petition drive, successfully fighting two lawsuits, and bucking the propaganda that the gay community—and elderly renters on fixed incomes—would "take over."

Of the 35 candidates competing for five seats on the new city council, 17 were gay or lesbian; the woman who was voted in as mayor was a 31-year-old lesbian and former counseling services administrator, Valerie Terrigno. Two of the newly elected city council members were gay men, a 22-year-old transportation planner named Alan Viterbi and a 27-year-old attorney named John Heilman. After election day, they made a few changes, including strengthening existing

rent control laws and passing a sweeping gay rights ordinance.

Alas, just one year later Terrigno was convicted of embezzlement and was sent packing; by 1991, the council had just one gay member. Still, gay politics in the entire city and county of Los Angeles were never the same.

Two openly gay men, Heilman and Steve Martin, now sit on the West Hollywood city council, and West Hollywood is the heart of the lesbian, bisexual, gay, and transgender community in Southern California, home to both the annual Christopher Street West parade and the Los Angeles Gay Community Center.

And, Martin told the *Bay Area Reporter*, as the years have passed gays and the elderly have continued to find their common interests increasing. ▼

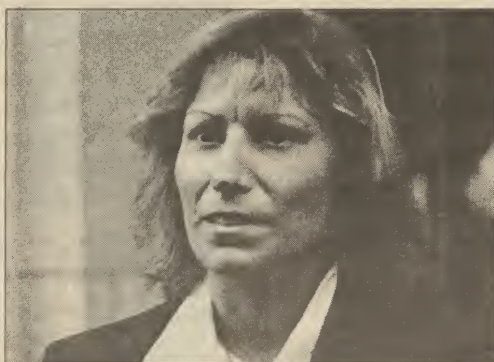


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Former West Hollywood Mayor Valerie Terrigno on Nov. 18, 1985, after her arraignment on embezzlement charges.

NATIONAL NEWS

Bigotry Costs Cincinnati \$24 Mil

United Press International

The Cincinnati area has suffered more than \$24 million dollars in lost convention business because of a city law denying discrimination protection to gay, lesbian, and bisexual citizens, the Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau said Tuesday, November 7.

The day before, the American Musicological Society blamed Cincinnati's anti-gay charter amendment Issue 3 as the reason it

decided to move its 1996 convention from Cincinnati to Baltimore.

The convention and visitors bureau told United Press International seven other conventions have also canceled meetings in the ironically named Queen City because of the passage of Issue 3 in 1993. That vote is currently being challenged in federal court.

The economic impact of losing the AMS convention is approximately \$1.5 million, said Beth Charlton, director of communications for the Greater Cincinnati

Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"The cancellations related to Issue 3 for Cincinnati have resulted in a \$24.5 million economic impact loss," Charlton said.

She indicated the bureau attempted to have the AMS change its mind by "talking to them about the situation from a broad-brush perspective and explaining that the hospitality industry has a long history of not being discriminatory in any of their practices, and if they had concerns about human rights, this might be a great opportunity for them to voice their concerns while they were here."

The AMS convention, which had been scheduled for November 1996, attracts between 1,200 and 1,700 music historians, theorists, composers, and other music researchers.

AMS President Philip Gossett, of the University of Chicago, told

the *Cincinnati Enquirer*, "Should the situation change in Cincinnati, in terms of its legislative stance on the issue of rights for gay and lesbian citizens, the society would welcome another opportunity to come to Cincinnati."

Other conventions that have cancelled meetings due to Issue 3 include The Music Teachers National Association (headquartered in Cincinnati), the Ohio Psychological Association, the American Statistical Association, the American Library Association, the American Historical Association, the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association, and the American Academy of Audiology.

"Many of the organizations that have cancelled have human rights by-law provisions within their organizations that prevented them from considering the situation any further," Charlton said. ▼

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compliance with Ryan White contracts. BCLC Executive Director Bernida Reagan declined to comment on the negotiations except to say, "We've done a lot of research," and that a letter would be going out to Walker House.

During a late September visit to the single-story home, situated in one of East Oakland's too-few commercial districts alongside fast food restaurants and retail outlets, conditions observed at Walker House aren't great, but they definitely were filled to capacity, according to Pat Sussman, Director of Hospice Services for The Visiting Nurses Association of Northern California. Sussman served as the 1990-91 co-chair of Alameda County Ryan White Title I. She emphasized in an interview with the *B.A.R.*, "I was impressed with the philosophy of care and the sensitivity and the interactions we saw between the staff and the clients."

"They appear to be delivering the service, and I really was impressed with the interactions: it was very caring, it was very direct. People were being treated with dignity and how can you put a price tag on dignity?"

Sussman added, "We went over unannounced, feeling that

that was probably the best way to do it, and spent about an hour talking and touring through the building. It certainly is, physically, really a depressing place, which is my own subjective opinion."

"I would think with the cost, they could find a better place."

Not an interesting diet

Besides the low monthly client base, which activists said was particularly unacceptable since empty beds did not affect the level of funding, one of the more persistent complaints about Walker House has been about the food.

John Iversen of ACT UP/East Bay, who accompanied Sussman and VNA AIDS Services Coordinator Dan Potaphyn on the September visit, told the *B.A.R.* that while he agreed that the contract is being met, food service could still be improved.

"With the amount of money they're getting, they should be able to feed people [better]," he said.

Concurred Sussman, "It certainly isn't a diet I would find very exciting."

Overall, according to Sussman, there was a great sense that joint efforts were possible. "We talked about what kinds of things we could do collaboratively," she said.

Calls to Walker House by the *Bay Area Reporter* were not returned. ▼

HEALTH & COMMUNITY

ACT UP Golden Gate: meets Tues. nights, 7pm at 592 Castro St. Info: 252-9200.

ACT UP SF: committed to ending the AIDS crisis thru direct action. 1388 Haight St., #218 9417. Info: 522-2907.

AIDS Benefits Counselors: Professional review and counseling about benefits for people with AIDS/HIV+. Free. For intake scheduling, screening, referral, call 558-9845.

AIDS Community Research Consortium conducts HIV and AIDS clinical trials at sites located in San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties. For a free listing of current trials available, call 800 864-ACRC.

AIDS Dementia Unit at St. Mary's Med. Center seeks volunteers. Call Ed Schultz, 750-4976.

AIDS Health Project: Mixed caregivers and women's caregivers groups; drop-in groups for HIV+ and PWA, more. Info, intake interviews: 476-3902.

AIDS/HIV Nightline provides telephone emotional support and crisis counseling. Volunteers needed: training begins soon. 984-1902.

AIDS Treatment Education Network provides free educational forums for people with HIV/AIDS. 284-6237.

Alternative Family Project offers support group for persons with cancer or AIDS, led by Dr. Syd Strong. Wed., 3:30pm. Call 566-5683.

BAHAN (Bay Area HIV Advocacy Network) is a grassroots program of the SF AIDS Foundation: phone/fax tree action alerts, gov't lobbying, HIV Policy Watch newsletter. Info: Ryan Clary 864-5855 ext. 3032.

Baker Places provides housing for people with AIDS who have substance abuse and/or mental health issues. For info or intake call 284-1740.

Bay Positives: Provides recreational and emotional support for people up to 26 years old living with HIV. On-going support groups meet weekly. 487-1616.

Bereavement Groups for family, friends and partners who have lost a loved one to AIDS. Visiting Nurses and Hospice of SF. 750-4404.

Boy + Boy: actions which promote safe sex among young gay and bi men. Tues. 7pm at Stop AIDS Project, 201 Sanchez. 575-1545 xBOY.

California AIDS Ride '93 is looking for riders and volunteers. Call Eddie at 252-RIDE.

Clinica Esperanza, the HIV Clinic at Mission Neighborhood Health Center provides comprehensive bilingual HIV services. Sliding scale fees. 431-3212.

Davies Med. Center: Free classes for HIV+ people in needlepoint (Tues., Wed.), exercise (Tues., Thurs.), stress reduction (Mon.). Castro at Duboce. Info: 565-6369.

Extra Positives: Social support group for HIV+ men under 40. Info: 522-9477.

FABRIC, a support/social group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning Asian and Pacific Islander youth 25-under, has drop-in every Tues., 6-8pm. GCHP, 30 Pearl St. 575-3939, x181/x504.

Gay Fathers Support Network of Santa Rosa meets first Fri. of every month, 7pm. Info: Mark (707) 522-6941.

Gay/Lesbian Legal Referral Service seeks gay/lesbian law students as Law Clerks, one 3-hr. shift/week at GLRS office, Oakland. Info: 621-3900.

Gay Men's STD/VD Clinic: Testing & treatment by 8 for gay men, free, every Sun. 5-7 pm. HIV antibody anonymous testing for women & men 12 or older, every Sun., 5-7 pm. 2339 Durant Ave at Dana, Berkeley. Wheelchair accessible. 644-0425 (non-voice TDD 548-8238 for disabled).

Gay Young Spirit, a new spiritual/social group for gay men in their 20s & 30s, meets alternate Tues., 7:15pm, in SF. Call 703-7181.

Healing Alternatives Foundation maintains public HIV/AIDS Treatment & Resource Library. Also Buyer's Club for health products. 1748 Market St. Info: 626-4053.

Health Support Services for PWAs and their caregivers, Wednesdays 6-9pm, Marin Treatment Center, 1466 Lincoln Ave., San Rafael. Registration: 457-3755.

Hepatitis "B" Testing and vaccinations for young (15-23) gay and bisexual men, free. Berkeley Free Clinic, 2339 Durant Ave., Berkeley, Sun. 5-7pm. (510) 644-0425.

HIV/AIDS Services at Operation Concern: Ongoing support groups, individual and couples counseling, drop-in groups every week. Issues for HIV+ men, men with AIDS/ARC, partners and survivors. For information/intake, call Jill, 626-7000 x199. Operation Concern, 1853 Market St.

HIV Positive Discussion Groups: provided by HIV Neuropsych and Counseling Program, free, drop-in. Mon. & Wed., 3:30-5pm thru 12/6. 3700 California, 1st fl., Rm. B. 750-6528.

INVENTION sponsors support groups for HIV negative men Tues. evenings, 7:30pm. MCC, 150 Eureka. 522-1785.

Iris Center: Women's counseling and recovery services for women with HIV, no/low fee. 333 Valencia St. Info: 864-2364.

Kaiser Permanente Hospice seeks volunteers to assist with patients with AIDS or cancer, 7-week training session begins in Jan. Info: 202-3173.

Lambda Youth and Family Empowerment Program (LYFE): Peer support and mentoring programs for lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender youth. 565-7681.

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Center: Primary health care for women by women. Counseling, anonymous testing, prevention education, support groups for HIV+ women. 1748 Market St. 565-7667.

Martin De Porres House of Hospitality needs volunteers to work in soup kitchen, breakfast and lunch. 225 Potrero. 552-0240.

MCC Chronic/Life-Threatening Support Group: Every Wed., 1-3pm, at MCC, 150 Eureka St. Free, drop-in. Call 863-4434.

MWM: a rap group for gay/bi Asian Pacific Islander men and their partners. Tues. nights, 6:30pm. Asian AIDS Project, 785 Market, Suite 420. 227-1586.

Mothers Organizing Mothers working to change public attitudes and policies on AIDS. Meets 2nd Wed. of every month, 7pm. Call 922-4639 or 221-6651 for information.

NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt seeks volunteers for archiving, data entry, community outreach, sewing, more. Call Mike Moreno at 882-5500.

Positive Resource provides work referrals to people with HIV/AIDS. To list a job opening or attend an employment opportunity orientation mtg call 928-1448.

Project Inform: HIV/AIDS treatment info hotline, 558-9051; journal, and educational Town Meetings. 800-822-7422.

Proyecto ContraSIDA Por Vida provides peer counseling, legal assistance, workshops, therapy and housing referrals, free. 864-7278.

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The following person(s) are doing business as SAN FRANCISCO V-TWIN, 135 Tenth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. DON ENGLISH, 135 Tenth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of Oct. 2, 1995. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed DON ENGLISH. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 03, 1995.

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199776
The following person(s) are doing business as PASSPORT TO LEISURE TRAVEL, 2265 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94114. BCC TRAVEL, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 2265 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94114. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of October 30, 1995. This business is conducted by a corporation. Signed DANIEL R. BILLINGS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 30, 1995.

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199137
The following person(s) are doing business as SOMA SUPPLY, 123 Townsend Street, Suite 120, San Francisco, CA 94107. SOMA SUPPLY INCORPORATED, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 123 Townsend Street, Suite 120, San Francisco, CA 94110. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by a corporation. Signed GARY G. GOODWIN, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on Oct 02, 1995.

Oct. 12, 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 1995.

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Oct. 12, 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199670
The following person(s) are doing business as MARSHALL CONSULTING, 3505 23rd Street, San Francisco, CA 94110. JAMES MARSHALL, 3505 23rd Street, San Francisco, CA 94110. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed JAMES MARSHALL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 24, 1995.

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 1995.

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Nov. 2, 9, 16, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199432
The following person(s) are doing business as 1) VANGUARD VISION STUDIOS, 2) XTRA MEDIA, 3450 Sacramento Street, Suite 502, San Francisco, CA 94118. DAVID GLEN JACKSON SHIELDS, 3737 Sacramento Street, San Francisco, CA 94118. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed DAVID SHIELDS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 13, 1995.

Oct. 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199448
The following person(s) are doing business as CHICKEN BISTRO, 2232 A Geary Blvd., San Francisco, CA 94115. ARSID RODECHANAPHAIRATANA, 437 44th Avenue, #1, San Francisco, CA 94121 and ANOJIT ROJANAPAIROT, 439 44th Avenue, #3, San Francisco, CA 94121. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of Oct. 16, 1995. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Signed ARSID RODECHANAPHAIRATANA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 16, 1995.

Oct. 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199367
The following person(s) are doing business as SAN FRANCISCO SHAKE-SPEARE FESTIVAL, 330 Parker Avenue, Stage Door, San Francisco, CA 94118. SHAKESPEARE SAN FRANCISCO, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 330 Parker Avenue, Stage Door, San Francisco, CA 94118. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of Jan. 05, 1993. This business is conducted by a corporation. Signed Bobby Winston, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 12, 1995.

Oct. 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199301
The following person(s) are doing business as FLYING PENGUINS, 360 Guerrero Street, #207, San Francisco, CA 94103. ALAN R. REARICK, 360 Guerrero Street, #207, San Francisco, CA 94103. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of Oct. 10, 1995. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed ALAN R. REARICK. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 10, 1995.

Oct. 19, 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199887
The following person(s) are doing business as 1) @ DESIGN, 2) SWELL DESIGN, 979 Dolores Street, San Francisco, CA 94110. ALAN EYZAGUIRRE, 979 Dolores Street, San Francisco, CA 94110. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed ALAN EYZAGUIRRE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on November 02, 1995.

Nov. 9, 16, 23, 30, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 198779
The following person(s) are doing business as RESTORE IT, 381 Ivy #4, San Francisco, CA 94102. WAYNE THOMAS KILLINGER, 381 Ivy #4, San Francisco, CA 94102. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of September 18, 1995. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed WAYNE KILLINGER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on September 18, 1995.

Oct. 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199519
The following person(s) are doing business as MEN OVER FORTY, 168 Precita Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94110. DAVID SILVEN, 168 Precita Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94110. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed DAVID SILVEN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on Oct. 18, 1995.

Oct. 26, 1995, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199217
The following person(s) are doing business as TAMATION MUSIC, 1002 Carolina Street, San Francisco, CA 94107. PAULA ANGELINA FRAZER, 1002 Carolina Street, San Francisco, CA 94107. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of Oct. 4, 1995. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed PAULA A. FRAZER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on Oct. 05, 1995.

Oct. 12, 19, 26, 1995 Nov. 2, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 199432
The following person(s) are doing business as LEGACY CLINICAL RESEARCH, 236 W. Portal Ave. #528, San Francisco, CA 94127. LEGACY CLINICAL RESEARCH, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 236 W. Portal Ave. #528, San Francisco, CA 94127. Registrant(s) commenced business under the above fictitious business name on the date of N/A. This business is conducted by a corporation. Signed SHARON O'LEARY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 27, 1995.

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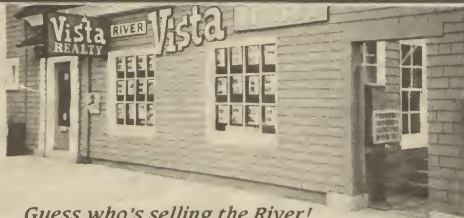
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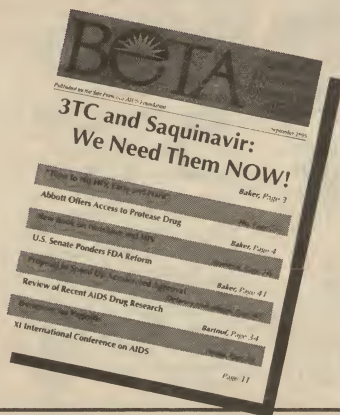
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SLOW BURN

Carrington: Pensive, Unrevealing

by Will Shank

LONDON — Perhaps I am being overly critical of things British as the patriotic duty of an American abroad. But perhaps I am not.

Christopher Hampton's *Carrington* has recently premiered here in London (it opens in San Francisco November 10). Unlike U.S. releases, which arrive in the U.K. several months after they do at home (*The Net* and *Clueless* have the biggest billboards at the moment), *Carrington* has arrived first on home territory.

The story of several fringe members of the Bloomsbury group, *Carrington* focuses on the relationship between writer Lytton Strachey (Jonathan Pryce) and painter Dora Carrington (Emma Thompson).

To the film's detriment, Thompson manages to repress her trademark toothy smile from beginning to end. As a consequence, her taciturn, self-involved Carrington is just not a very interesting character. The audience is expected to accept her as a fascinating character, but this requires the same unlikely leap of faith as accepting Lucille Ball as a charismatic Mame. We never see Carrington do anything fascinating, and her paintings, which are good enough, she puts down as no more than a source of her

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PORTRAIT OF A SUBVERSIVE ARTIST

Author Updates His Lytton Strachey Biography

by Daniel Mangin

Lytton Strachey: The New Biography by Michael Holroyd; Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$35

The new film *Carrington* is likely to generate further interest in its main subjects, writer Lytton Strachey and painter Dora Carrington. One source for more complete information is Michael Holroyd's 1994 biography of Strachey. An update of his *Lytton Strachey: A Critical Biography*, published in two volumes in the 1960s, the book is the basis for Christopher Hampton's film.

Readers who have seen *Carrington* may be surprised to discover how much more there is to Strachey's work and life. Carrington (as she preferred to call herself) doesn't even enter until halfway through Holroyd's 780-page tome. She fell in love with the homosexual Strachey and remained his companion until his death in 1932. The film, which concerns itself mainly with their peculiar relations, omits a serious discussion of her art and completely ignores her late-in-life lesbian romances; Holroyd covers both.

Lytton Strachey emerges in Holroyd's biography as a gifted, iconoclastic, intensely cerebral man who in his writings and in the conduct of his life attempted to subvert what he felt were the hypocritical customs of Victorian and Edwardian England. Strachey's book *Eminent Victorians*, which contained brief profiles of Cardinal Newman, Florence Nightingale, Dr. Thomas Arnold and General Charles Gordon, put a whole new spin on Britons' views of the Victorian period.

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'60s Starlet Carol Lynley on a Checkered Career From Broadway to Fantasy Island



Carol Lynley in her flower child outfit from *The Poseidon Adventure*

by John Blanco

Forget about Shelley Winters' fatal swim. The true camp centerpiece of *The Poseidon Adventure*, the 1972 disaster epic about a group of passengers trying to escape from the bowels of a capsized luxury liner, occurs when Carol Lynley's Noni, the lounge singer in hot pants, coos the movie's hit song, "The Morning After." Never has a million-selling, Oscar-winning number been sung so unenthusiastically by an actress who admits she should never have been singing in the first place.

Lynley has learned to have a sense of humor about being forever linked to Noni and that squishy ballad. So when local producer Marc Huestis contacted her about participating in a *Poseidon Adventure*-themed AIDS benefit at the Castro Theatre, she was eager to sign on. She did, however, draw the line at singing that song.

"They wanted me to sing it, and I said, 'Guys, I don't have a cabaret act. I haven't done Vegas yet,'" the 53-year-old Lynley chuckled in a recent phone interview. "They wanted to line up musicians. They asked if I had my own band. And I said, 'Wait a minute! That was a part in a movie.'"

Lynley now admits she never liked "The Morning After" much, which made learning to sing it all the more difficult. It took three weeks with a vocal coach for her to attain the chops heard on screen. Despite her feelings about the song, everyone else connected with the movie felt it could be a big hit, and Lynley was asked to cut it as a pop single.

"Fox had started a movie music division, and the head of it called me in one day and said, 'We want you to sing the song, and we want to put it on the radio. And this is how we want you to sing it (Lynley begins belting). There's got to be a moooooming aafterer.' And I said, 'No, no, no, it's a soft ballad.' We basically had an artistic disagreement over the presentation of the song,

so he went out and got Maureen McGovern, who is a fantastic singer. So she sang it, and I had the dubious pleasure of listening to it about 25 times a day on the radio when it became a hit."

Aside from "The Morning After," Lynley says making *The Poseidon Adventure* was a good, if sometimes grueling, experience. The film took 4-1/2 months to shoot, including one month on the Queen Mary and 3-1/2 months on the upside-down sets on the Fox lot. Because most of the action involved the wet and grimy trek to the top (bottom) of the ship, the cast's costumes had to be constantly distressed.

"Instead of doing hair and makeup, they spritzed us, wet us and threw dirt at us," Lynley recalls. "Stella Stevens didn't like the dirt. Red Buttons didn't like the wet. And because we were wet all the time, our costumes shrank. My little shorts shrank, even my boots shrank."

Fashion faux pas

The dazzling array of water-logged '70s formal wear — fat bow ties, Qiana evening gowns, velveteen maxi-skirts — is just one of the things that makes *The Poseidon Adventure* such a hoot. The movie also has a slew of good-bad performances, with the standouts being Ernest Borgnine and Stella Stevens as a Ralph and Alice Kramden-like bickering couple, Gene Hackman's mock-heroic minister and, of course, Shelley's big Jewish granny.

Lynley was 30 years old when she made *The Poseidon Adventure*, the biggest hit of her career, and had been acting for half her life. At 15, she was starring on Broadway in *Blue Denim*, the then-controversial play by James Leo Herlihy, about a pregnant young girl who chooses to have an abortion. Naturally when Hollywood filmed the story in 1959, with Lynley repeating her stage role, the censors dictated that the girl should marry her teenage beau (the adorable Brandon de Wilde) and have the baby. Despite the plot changes, the film is well-acted and fairly respectful in its treatment of teen love.

Lynley, a tough critic of her own films, dismisses *Blue Denim* as "dated." "I watch the movie now and think, 'What was all the fuss about?'" she says. "The only things that stand out for me about that movie are my chubby cheeks and fat ass."

After *Blue Denim*, Lynley went the typical early '60s starlet route, competing with the likes of Pamela Tiffin and Yvette Mimieux for roles in light comedies and glossy melodramas. Looking decorative in a tight skirt or pair of treader pants was all that was required of her in films like *Return to Peyton Place* ('61), *Under the Yum Yum Tree* ('63) and *The Pleasure Seekers* ('64).

The most substantial role of her career came with 1965's *Bunny Lake Is Missing*, the film Lynley says she's most proud of. The Otto Preminger-directed *Bunny Lake*, a mystery about a kidnapped child, is mainly of interest to a modern gay audience because of co-star Noel Coward's role as a shady queen with an apartment full of S&M accouterments. Lynley claims Coward's queeniest moments were actually lost on the cutting room floor.

"Originally, there was a very funny scene where Noel tried to seduce the cop [Laurence Olivier]," Lynley remembers. "What the scene did was make Noel's character more blatantly homosexual. Because of the times, they deleted a lot of this and tried to make Noel more of a heterosexual who was on the lech for me."

Horrible 'Harlow'

Also in 1965, Lynley made a film she's significantly less proud of, *Harlow*, a bio of the '30s star that was rushed into production to compete with another *Harlow*, a much more lavish version produced by Joseph E. Levine and starring Carroll Baker. When

Lynley realized what a bargain-basement effort she was involved in (the movie was staged like a live TV show and recorded as a kinescope), she tried to quit the film. She was unsuccessful in doing so, but Judy Garland, who was originally to play Mama

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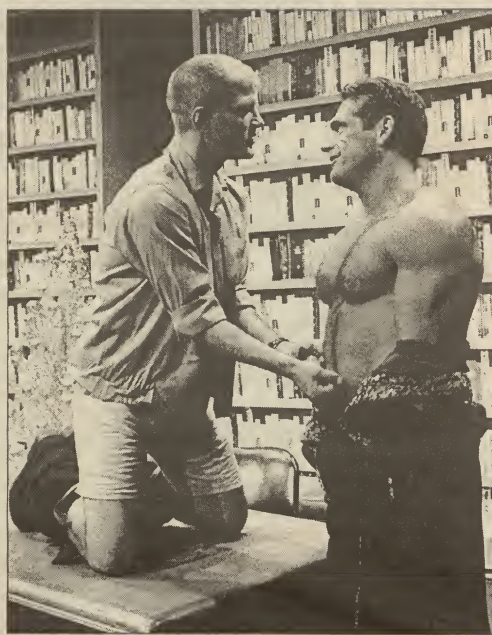
Take a memo, girls: Theatre Rhino's new, all-male production of *The Desk Set* is a big, juicy hit. Under the crafty direction of Wunderkind Danny Scheie, who only partially succeeded with his attempt at an all-male version of *Twelfth Night* at Rhino last season, what can only be described as a creaky and overly fluffy comedy that was dated shortly after it was written in 1955 has been transformed into a piece of lusty, fag-happy delirium where secretaries flounce with pleasure and bosses pounce with passion.

To put this '50s chestnut across to a '90s audience, Scheie has incorporated what he calls "drag without dresses," that is, the female characters have been turned into nelly gay men, and the male characters — the executives — have become butch gay men who flirt, and occasionally fornicate, with their underlings. It's a grand set-up, and possibly the only one that could make this play worth doing again. Granted, playwright William Marchant gets off some funny lines here and there, but without all the innuendo, gender-confused pronouns and unabashed mugging going on, there wouldn't be much to see. The only reason the 1957 film version of Marchant's play is worth seeing is for stars Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy — the next logical step after Kate was, without a doubt, a more obvious all-male version.

Secretaries Sadel Meyer, Peg Costello and Ruthie Saylor work in the Reference Department of a large Manhattan broadcasting company. Their boss, the indefatigable Bunny Watson, is having an affair with Abe Cutler, a suit from upstairs. The tidy little world of office intrigues, gossip and backstabbing is interrupted by the appearance of Richard Sumner, an electronics expert intent on placing a giant "electronic brain" in the Reference Department to speed things up. The girls in the office are sure the newfangled computer apparatus will rid them of their jobs, and even worse, Bunny seems to be falling for the job-stealing Mr. Sumner. After a series of drunken Christmas party escapades, horny execs from the Legal Department and inadvertent pink slips, ultimate cooperation with the heretofore electronic adversary brings these office high jinks to a happy ending.

Holsclaw steals show

What makes all the silliness worth watching for two hours and three acts is Scheie's delightful cast. Doug Holsclaw is nothing short of tremendous as commander-in-chief Bunny Watson. Bunny is a career "gal" with brains galore



Doug Holsclaw and Randy Wendelin in *The Desk Set*

and just enough sin in her heart. Holsclaw's comic timing is precise and full of character, but Bunny is far from perfect. Some of the evening's biggest laughs come from Bunny's binging, purging and rinsing with mouthwash. Bunny knows her executive squeeze, Mr. Cutler (a suitably brawny Randy Wendelin), likes his little lady svelte. Holsclaw is an utter delight, and when the play begins to get a little tired in the third act, it's Bunny who saves the day and gives the show its needed kick.

Eric Newton as the techno geek Richard Sumner is sweetly sexy and carries off his Bunny romance with charm. The Reference Department's trio of secretaries is all a-twitter with talent. P.A. Cooley as Peg is a boozy broad with a good heart and a solid head on her shoulders. Colman Domingo is sassy Sadel Meyer who has a way with attitude on the phone, and Brad Smith is little Ruthie Saylor, a new girl in the department, but a devoted airhead nonetheless. Kim Larsen plays a host of characters including Kenny the mail boy,

Elsa, the CEO's secretary's secretary, and Miss Warriner, the computer's chief operator. Larsen seems to relish each of his various personae and imbues each with panache.

With such an energetic cast, Scheie's notion of presenting the corporate world as a mass of teeming gay roles and relationships actually comes across beautifully. Iva Walton's attractive bookshelf-dominated set lends a nice professionalism to the proceedings, and Robby MacLean's sound design, which features mostly Doris Day songs, is clean and effectively evocative of a kinder, gentler, and in this case, more wondrously queer America. Scheie's all-gay corporate world is scarily hilarious as well as lewd and loaded with plenty of flesh (Holsclaw even flashes the audience). Without question, Theatre Rhino's *The Desk Set* is a refreshingly campy dip in the steno pool. ▼

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Ferron is currently touring the country with her five-piece band. The singer will present a concert at the Palace of Fine Arts on Sunday, November 12 at 7 p.m. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Call 762-BASS or 924-JRTX for tickets. ▼

Monica Grant and Marga Gomez Light Up Local Stages Dyke Diptych

by Jerry Metzker

Beyond *Bagdad*, last summer's Theatre Rhino hit, featured a comely, gentle yet tough lesbian cop played by "newcomer" Monica Grant. The performance was justifiably praised by local critics, only Grant is not new to the stage. For years she has toured the lesbian comedy circuit and has even recorded three albums. It's her comedy, however, that provides the impetus for her new show, *Women Who Run With Swine*, currently enjoying a limited engagement in the Rhino Studio.

Women Who Run With Swine is a loosely-woven stand-up routine that includes a series of short monologues, a couple of jokes, and some new takes on old songs. The songs are particularly noteworthy. Although Grant is not a strong singer, her songwriting and adapting are smart and witty. One song elegantly commingles several others. It begins with "Ave Maria" and then merges into Bernstein/Sondheim's "Maria," adds on Rodgers and Hammerstein's "How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria?" and then proceeds to a grand finish with Lerner and Lowe's "On the Street Where You Live." The end result is an exquisite comic love song.

Other highlights include a very funny job interview by someone who really doesn't like to work, a take on the entire femme/butch dating scene, and a series of arguments between Grant and herself as she works her way to a former, but still beloved, girlfriend's house.

For Grant, however, being a lesbian is not *all* comedy, as evidenced in one song — the show's only serious one — in which she takes the audience back in time to her adolescence, a period of Grant's life in which she felt entirely alone. And the most moving parts of the performance are Grant's carefully chosen and beautifully executed excerpts of letters from her mother, Dorothea, which reveal a loving mother's response to her daughter's coming out and the confusion and pain that play a part in that process.

Women Who Run With Swine feels more like a stand-up routine than a solo show. If Grant is trying for something more ambitious, she needs a director who can focus and shape the material more effectively. As stand-up routines go, however, this one is just fine.

Marga's got a hit

Marga Gomez's *A Line Around the Block* is a solo performance piece extraordinaire. Currently ensconced at Josie's for a month, Gomez's show is a funny, warm, and lively tribute to her comedian father, Willie Chevalier, and his rise and fall in New York's Latino Teatro.

Perpetually a work-in-progress, as Gomez jokes at the beginning, the show utilizes all of Gomez's writing, acting and comedy skills. Her jokes are always funny, storytelling adept, and characterizations riveting as she takes on the roles of all the people who made her father's life, and sometimes her own, both wonderful and miserable. In Gomez's hands, her father does not come across as particularly nice or pleasant, but as a man who was loving in his own unique way and a dedicated showman. These are traits Gomez emulates well in her characterization of him and herself.

Unlike Grant's piece, *A Line*

Around the Block does not focus on the joys and travails of being a lesbian. Gomez's lesbianism is explored only in relation to her own emerging identity as she begins to free herself from her father's overpowering personality.

Initially, one might want to compare Grant's show with Gomez's, but that would be unfair to both performers. These are two artists working in very different styles. Where Gomez is aggressive and masterful in her approach to characterization, Grant performs with a humble sincerity that is perfectly charming. Where Gomez strives to pull heart strings, Grant ambles pleasantly along, lulling her audience into a false sense of relaxation before zapping them with a comedic zinger. Where Grant's show is entirely stand-up, Gomez tells a story about stand-up comedians.

In both cases, however, lesbian women take the stage with confi-

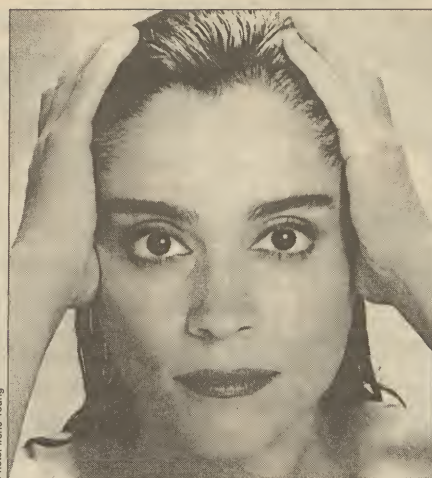


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Marga Gomez (left) and Monica Grant (below)

Photo: Julie Riffe

dence and talent to spare. And considering how show business today is so dominated by men (both straight and gay), that makes both shows all the more appealing. ▼

Women Who Run With Swine continues through November 11 in Theatre Rhino's Studio. Call 861-5079 for

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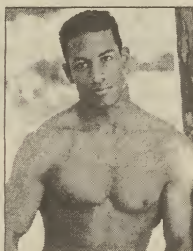
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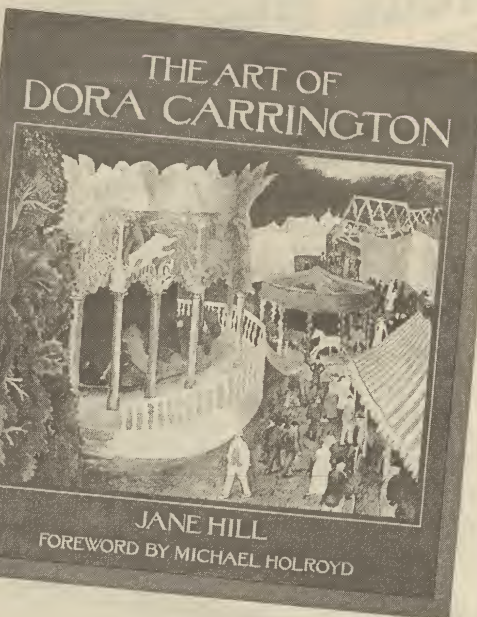
by Daniel Mangin

Dora Carrington downplayed her talent as a painter so much during her lifetime that, the early 20th-century art establishment's dismissal of women artists notwithstanding, it's not surprising her work was scarcely recognized in her lifetime. She had her supporters, most of them among the Bloomsbury set, but serious evaluation of her work did not occur until the advent of feminist arts scholarship.

Christopher Hampton's new film *Carrington* occasionally shows the artist at work, but concerns itself mainly with her loves and friendships. The only systematic look at her work comes during the closing credits, which contain insets of her paintings and drawings.

Taking the exact opposite approach of the film, Jane Hill's book on Carrington focuses on her art, commenting on the artist's life only as it influences the work. Hill doesn't sidestep Carrington's devotion to the gay writer Lytton Strachey, a monumental figure in her life, but concentrates on the ways in which he inspired and otherwise affected her creativity. These effects went beyond emotions or even their conversations about art and aesthetics: the taciturn Strachey was one of her frequent sitters over the years.

An interesting chapter covers Carrington's work during the time she and Strachey lived at Tidmarsh Mill, their first home to-



gether. Several Carrington portraits of the author during this period "are a perfect example of the stages of a work and how a successful idea could be transformed by different media," Hill writes. The art historian then traces the evolution of Carrington's oil, watercolor-and-ink, ink-and-wash, and woodcut portraits of Strachey.

A series of paintings on glass Carrington created in the 1920s and '30s represented, the artist once said, attempts to catch "fugitive light." They were "winter" work, writes Hill, these "exotic,

fantastic scenes of heat and light in the gothic time of the year." The "tinselled paintings," as Carrington called them, sold well, and maintains Hill, "although they have their models ... [they appear] to be quite unique in England at the time."

The plates in *The Art of Dora Carrington* reveal an artist with a canny sense of mood and color and an awareness of the key art movements of her time. Hill's book outlines for our era the development of this elusive yet talented artist. ▼

Strachey

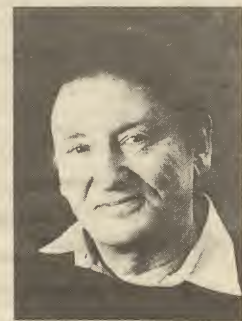
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Eminent Victorians and Strachey's later full-scale glimpse into the life of Queen Victoria revolutionized the biography as a literary form, introducing the notion of digging into the psychology of one's subject in a more personal, probing manner. Sigmund Freud's psychoanalytic precepts reigned supreme during this era; Strachey's *Queen Victoria* engages in an analysis of her motivations a 19th-century author might have thought both impertinent and irrelevant.

As a member of Cambridge University's Trinity College and later the Bloomsbury artistic set, Strachey crossed intellectual and emotional paths with many of England's leading thinkers and policymakers. He and economist John Maynard Keynes held deep philosophical discussions on all manner of subjects, had a falling out over a man each loved (Keynes "won," though victory was brief as it turned out), then resumed a more tentative connection. Other associates included Virginia and Leonard Woolf, Duncan Grant, Bertrand Russell and E.M. Forster.

The intricacy of the interactions of various "Bloomsberries" continues to fascinate. Marriages, love affairs, unrequited desire and personal and professional rivalries underpinned the various friendships. The group's experiences were partially a function of class — though most weren't as rich as royalty, they had access to social and other situations more common folk did not.

But there was also something singular about this collection of



Biographer Michael Holroyd

people gathering at this precise moment in history. As Holroyd points out, the Bloomsbury group came to prominence just as the Western world began to grapple with what some called the "death of Christianity" and its eclipse by science. Their writings and lives reflected and shaped their society's confrontation with a major shift in paradigms.

The very fine performances of Emma Thompson as Carrington and Jonathan Pryce as Strachey obscure one of the flaws of *Carrington*, namely its reticence to delve more deeply into its protagonists' behavior. The events in their lives unfold without much reflection, an odd tack considering that Strachey himself once wrote, "Uninterpreted truth is as useless as burned gold; and art is the great interpreter." Holroyd does not make this mistake; one comes away with a fuller sense of what made Strachey — and his era — tick. ▼

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Emma Thompson as Dora Carrington and Jonathan Pryce as Lytton Strachey in *Carrington*

Carrington

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own amusement. Actually, everything about Carrington, in particular the promiscuity that attracts a continuous stream of men into her life, is done for her own amusement. We have seen willful, self-indulgent, artistic women self-destruct on screen before, but usually with more interesting results. (Jennifer Jason Leigh in *Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle* springs to mind, or Jessica Lange in *Frances*.) Carrington's slow immolation is so quiet, so orderly, so introspective, so *English*, that we don't even see it coming until it's almost over.

Stage actor Jonathan Pryce fares slightly better as Lytton Strachey. (The screenplay, also by Hampton, was actually based on his biography, but apparently the filmmakers thought a pale, skinny, homosexual intellectual would have no chance at the box office.) His character is drawn without self-pity or apologies, and he is even given a love life. But while his relationship with Carrington is touching and sentimental, it is not enough to carry the plot of a two-hour film. The mannish aspect of

Thompson's Carrington, who dresses in pants and vests, crops her hair in a practical page-boy, and goes by her last name, is never explored beyond the first encounter between her and Strachey, who mistakes her for a boy.

For those who crave English country cottages filled with books and crockery, colorful gardens, and the music of Michael Nyman (*The Piano*), this movie may be enough. And Carrington's het lovers — including Steven Waddington, who was Derek Jarman's homosexual Edward II — are undeniably handsome.

But Hampton's direction and the editing of the film are surprisingly ham-fisted within, and between, many scenes. Portraying the lives of artists, particularly writers, is an almost impossible challenge that has eluded many filmmakers. The story of the love between these two people might have been effective if written by Strachey and illustrated by Carrington. But this quietly misguided effort does not do them justice.

There is a silver lining here in London, which can be credited to the release of the Hampton film. A stunning exhibition of Dora Carrington's paintings and recreated interiors, which have been largely

ignored since her death in 1932, is on display at the Barbican Art Gallery and is drawing large crowds. Her art work, which included decorations on everything from lampshades to a gramophone cabinet, is superb, and the story of her life that is told in her preserved correspondence, photographs, and memorabilia paints a portrait of an individual who must have been far more interesting than the one-dimensional woman portrayed by Emma Thompson in *Carrington*. ▼

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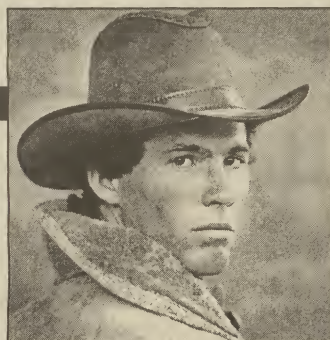
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SFO's *Die Walküre*: Uncommonly Satisfying The Real Thing

by Paul Thomason

Every once in a while, at what sometimes seems to be longer and longer intervals, one encounters an operatic performance of such power that it can remind even the most jaded fans why they fell in love with the art form in the first place. The San Francisco Opera's first performance this season of Wagner's *Die Walküre*, given Saturday at the War Memorial, was such a performance. The only appropriate response is a hearty "Thank you."

That is not to suggest it was a perfect performance, or that everyone on stage was equally good. But the overall cumulative effect was uncommonly satisfying. And when the opera is a masterpiece on the level of *Walküre*, that is enough for the emotional drug in Wagner's music to take over.

James Morris must be at the absolute peak of his powers, that brief magical time in a singer's life when vocal splendor and artistic maturity are equally present. His Wotan has always been sumptuously sung. But now he has grown into an entirely new, deeper, level of emotional and intellectual involvement. He was thrilling as the majestic, angry god, hurling volumes of bass-baritone sound over a thundering orchestra with almost scornful ease. But he was just as riveting singing softly as the anguished father. He simply was Wotan. For the first time in my life I did not leave a *Walküre*



Photo: Larry Markie

James Morris and Jane Eaglen in Wagner's *Die Walküre*

wondering what it would have been like to hear Friedrich Schorr or Rudolf Bockelmann do Wotan on stage in the 1930s. Instead, I was grateful to be alive to hear James Morris in his prime.

Every bit Morris's equal was mezzo Marjana Lipovsek in her company debut as Fricka, Wotan's wife. Their scene together in Act II is the most important one in the entire *Ring* cycle and Saturday night one wished it lasted 90 minutes, not 15. It was truly a battle of equal wills between two gods who pull out every trick in their arsenal of weapons to win their fight.

British soprano debuts

Fortunately, music director Donald Runnicles was at his considerable best. Every tempo seemed exactly right, flowing naturally from one moment to the next. There was plenty of drama and excitement in the orchestra, but also tenderness and warmth.

British soprano Jane Eaglen has become one of the most discussed operatic figures today by repeatedly singing both Brünnhilde and the title role in Bellini's *Norma*, a feat Maria Callas did for a while (before deciding, probably wisely, to drop Brünnhilde). Both roles are arduous and call for an even, powerful voice with a good trill that can convey the varied emotions of a strong character on stage.

There was much to admire in Eaglen's debut. The way she effortlessly tossed off the high Bs and Cs of Brünnhilde's "Hojotoho's" made me sorry audiences no longer applaud during Wagner operas the way they once did. Her warm middle voice was an asset in her scene with Siegmund, but it was undercut by the surprising lack of power in her lower register. Yes, she is an extremely large woman and it was needlessly cruel of stage director Laurie Feldman to have Eaglen kneel so often, especially when facing away from the audience. But the soprano has a somewhat opulent voice, sings musically, and, vocally at least, is a convincing Brünnhilde. How often do you get that in live performance these days?

Poul Elming (Siegmund) was also making his company debut.

He is tall, slender and has an attractive, though not very large, voice. His is a true tenor sound, not the often heard pushed-up baritone of most heldentenors, though apparently Elming used to sing baritone roles. Unfortunately, he ran out of steam at the end of Act I, just when Siegmund needs to be overwhelming. (Again, the staging could have been much more helpful.)

As Sieglinde, Anne Evans was convincing, but she did not have the vocal resources to be radiant at Sieglinde's big moments. Victor von Halem's Hunding was appropriately menacing both vocally and physically.

For once in live performance, Act III began with a truly superb Ride of the Valkyries. Bravi to Nicolle Folland, Dvora Djorav, Claudia Waite, Andrea Baker, Catherine Keen, Elizabeth Bishop, Catherine Cook and Zheng Cao, all of whom sang in tune, did not sound squally and seemed to be having a wonderful time.

It is unfortunate that the original production by Nikolaus Lehnhoff, with designs by John Conklin cannot let well enough alone, and, in direct opposition to Wagner's stated wishes, divides Act II into two scenes. This means the curtain must be lowered during the music for a set change. Lowering the curtain has become the operatic equivalent of a television commercial break, a sure-fire invitation to the audience that it is time to chat. Another egregious touch, and one that has become as permanent as producers blithely ignoring a composer's wishes, is Wotan's cradling of the dying Siegmund at the end of Act II. It is maudlin, but audiences seem to adore the cheap sentiment. ▼

***Die Walküre* continues through November 29. James Morris sings Wotan again November 12; Willard White assumes the role for the remainder of the run. Brünnhilde will be sung by Susan Marie Pierson November 21, and by Marilyn Zschau November 25 and 29. For tickets (\$31-\$135) and further information call (415) 864-3330.**

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The Dar and Mar Shows

by John F. Karr

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Darlene played all seven female roles in the local production of *Jeffrey*, has starred in several cabaret hits (*Tune the Grand Up*, *With Relish*) and is a frequent favorite at TheatreWorks. Maureen, before her recent move down south, was a ray of light in *Dinner at Eight* and *Oh, Kay!* She made her cabaret debut last year in Marin and has brought a largely new show to the Plush Room, but only through this weekend (November 9-11; 885-2800).

Dar's a good time gal with cascades of lush brunette hair. She's a barely containable performer, briskly marching to a strange love song, then, like a Daliesque diva, oozing around the top of a grand piano better than anyone else in the business. Maureen's a petite dynamo with an explosion of deep copper curls; she sits down a lot, at least in this show, because she's soon to become a mother (for the second time). But the action in her face makes up for it — her eyes alone teem with innuendo and mayhem.

Popovic loves rhythm, making her show a propulsive festival. Even during ballads, which she sings with a warm fullness of sound that surprises even her longtime fans, she doesn't lose the subtle pulse. The rest of the time — well, that's much more than an hour of toe-tapping merriment. Her specialties are nutsy vaudeville turns, Fanny Brice dialect numbers, Betty Hutton hurricanes, and show tune gems like George Gershwin's "Vodka" and Maltby-Shire's "Flair."

Maureen loves words. Although a fine singer, she tends to play a song more than sing it. Her tumult of funny words is complemented by her comic accents and lady-of-a-thousand-faces agility. But Maureen's strongest suit is her charm. Her song bag is pretty full, too, with goodies ranging from heartwarming ballads to manic breakdowns. Worth the price of admission alone is the whirlwind monologue and song called "Hosing the Furniture." She also scores



Maureen McVerry

with a touching Brian Wilson ballad and a show-stopper about her baseball mania.

An unusually talented performer working here at the top of her powers, Darlene provides a

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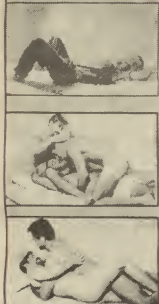
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Flaying 'Faust'

by Chad Jones

Randy Newman's *Faust*
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While Samuel Ramey and his co-stars trill their hearts and souls out on the Opera House stage in Gounod's *Faust*, pop-meister Randy Newman and a coterie of his music star peers are retelling the Faust legend in their own inimitable glossy, overly emphatic way on a studio cast album of Newman's long-in-the-making rock musical *Faust*.

As composer and lyricist, Newman has some fine moments in this modern-day version of God and Satan's tussle over the human soul. But as musical theater, Newman has not delivered a coherent work. Many of the tunes have the sassy, bluesy cynicism for which Newman is so well known (remember "Short People"?), but the composer's recent work in film scoring (*The Natur-*

al, Avalon, the upcoming *Toy Story*) makes its influence felt. The contest between catchy pop tunes and long, drawn-out melodies that sound like unused film themes never merges into a satisfying whole.

What is satisfying about this recording is the cast Newman has assembled to perform it. Newman himself plays the Devil (a natural choice), and in a stroke of brilliance, James Taylor plays a benignly befuddled God. Don Henley is Henry Faust, a schizophrenic student at Notre Dame, Linda Ronstadt is the poor, beautiful and doomed Margaret, and Bonnie Raitt is bad girl Martha, who seduces then dumps the Devil himself. Elton John makes a brief appearance on "Little Island" as a disgruntled angel unhappy with God's treatment of his native England — it's a song that, along with several others, should be "lost in Boston" if the creators want to pull this show together.



Faust is currently in production at the La Jolla Playhouse, the theater that spawned the Broadway smash *The Who's Tommy*. But unlike that flashy, pounding show, *Faust*, for all of its humor and satire, falls completely flat. The best song in the score is "Feels Like Home," gorgeously sung by Raitt's Martha to the

Devil. It's a tender love song that audiences will adore. But after Raitt sings it, she says, in effect, "just kidding," and dumps the Devil. What Newman doesn't realize is that when characters sing on stage, they sing the truth. Otherwise, the audience will resent both the characters and the creators. This *Faust* is full of such missteps.

Randy Newman's *Faust* should have been a hell of a good time but ends up a soulless pastiche of pop, rock, blues and Broadway with only the occasional spark to illuminate its potential. ▼



Photo: Howard Roffman

Jallen Rix Bridges the Sacred and the Queer

by Adrian Roberts

Initially, the content of Jallen Rix's *The Sacred and the Queer*, his debut CD, might seem a contradiction in terms. Gay-themed music with Christian overtones? How can this be?

But don't be misled by the religious references and Jesus name-dropping. This album is less about Christian dogma than it is about merging spirituality with gay identity.

"This recording highlights a new way my music reflects my personal journey," the local singer-songwriter says in his press release. "In the past, it tended to reflect only my spiritual experience. In doing this I neglected singing about my sexuality. This recording integrates my spirituality and sexuality. This freedom and wholeness feels great!"

Considering his extensive use of keyboards on the CD, it's no surprise to learn that Jallen is an experienced pi-

anist. Coupled with his smooth tenor, he brings a strong emotive quality to the material. While songs such as "When You Touch Me I Know" and "What the Preacher Did To Me" recall the mid-'80s soft rock sound of Christopher Cross or Lionel Richie, others veer off into more sprightly territory. Take the opener, "Down at Stonewall," for instance, which finds Jallen meeting up with Jesus at the Stonewall Inn.

"This song started tongue-in-cheek with a friend," explains Jallen. "But I realized it actually exemplifies what is happening in my heart. Both my spirituality and sexuality are integrating. When I relax and let the process happen, I discover that I am more at peace than ever before." ▼

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Another Rapier Wit

Do What I Say: Ms. Behavior's Guide to Gay & Lesbian Etiquette by Meryl Cohn; Houghton Mifflin, \$11.95

by Deborah Peifer

I guarantee people will be really annoyed with you when you read *Do What I Say*. Strangers on trains will change seats to avoid you; your friends will pretend not to know you. And why, you ask? Simply because *Do What I Say* is so funny you will laugh loud and long while reading it. And you will feel honor bound to call your friends, begging "Can't I read just one more section?" Trust me — you will be at least as obnoxious as I've been. Consider Ms. Behavior's comments on whether or not one is a lesbian: "Ms. Behavior doesn't mean to rush you, but eventually you will need to acknowledge whether your attraction to women really is just a fleeting whim brought on by your desire to be as cool as the rest of your lacrosse team or you really are a lifer."

Ms. Behavior is more than just funny, however. She offers serious and very useful advice to gays and lesbians on all positions of the queer continuum. On the dangers of certain lotions, she warns: "Avoid patchouli oil, unless you aspire to that I've-just-returned-from-a-wimmin's-music-festival odor. Once you go out in public, it will make women rush to peel off their shirts and dance in topless circles around you, which will embarrass you in social situations." And what about safer sex? "Ms. Behavior is sorry to report that she has developed a fetish for sheer plastic. Although it is not what the makers of Saran Wrap intended, lots of lesbians have been locking in freshness and, they hope, locking out HIV by using

plastic wrap as a barrier during oral sex. One of the primary drawbacks of the Saran Wrap method of safer sex, however, is that once you start doing it on a regular basis, you will find that you get sexually aroused every time you put away leftovers."

Whether she's talking about the cut or not to cut conundrum, the joys of tattoos, or the up-side of codependence, Ms. Behavior is a very funny, very helpful dispenser of sagacity. Buy this book right away, and start calling your friends. ▼

Meryl Cohn will be at Club Skirt Thursday, November 9 at 9 p.m.

Sapphic Spectre

Feminism in Women's Detective Fiction edited by Glenwood Irons; University of Toronto, \$19.95

by Deborah Peifer

About halfway through this collection of essays, I found myself thinking there must be very few writers of women's detective fiction, since the essayists seemed primarily to focus on the same few writers: P.D. James, Amanda Cross, Sara Paretsky, Sue Grafton, Marcia Muller. How odd, I thought, I can think of lots of writers of women's detective fiction: Lauren Wright Douglas, Jaye Maiman, Kate Allen, J.M. Redmann, Sarah Dreher, Claire McNab, Dorothy Tell, Elizabeth Pincus, Diana McRae, Amanda Kyle Williams, Deborah Powell, Nikki Baker and, of course, Katherine V. Forrest.

Hmm, I wondered. Is this in fact a collection of essays on feminism in heterosexual women's detective fiction? My thought became certainty when I reached the

friend who has AIDS. "I saw him last week, and it was the first time he hasn't looked good," she says quietly. She's lost several friends to the disease over the last few years, which is why she was eager to participate in the upcoming Castro Theatre AIDS benefit, which will include a tribute to her, a screening of *The Poseidon Adventure* and the Sick and Twisted Players' special rendition of "The Morning After." The tribute part of the evening did give her pause though.

"I didn't want anyone to think this was just a big ego stroke for me," Lynley says. "The only reason I wanted to do this is because it seemed like a personal way for me to do something to help fight a very nasty disease. You know, so many people in show business just put on those stupid red ribbons and go to award shows. And that doesn't do anything. It just says, 'Yeah, I'm scared too.' But an event like this could actually help people. So I'm very grateful to be a part of it." ▼

The reception with Carol Lynley at the Castro Theatre mezzanine begins at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 10 with a ticket price of \$25 (includes tribute and screening). Tickets for the tribute and screening (8 p.m.) are \$10. There will also be a screening of the film at 11 p.m. with tickets at \$6. Partial proceeds from the evening will benefit San Francisco General Hospital's Ward 5-A Patient Care Fund. For further information call 863-0611.

penultimate essay, Rebecca A. Pope's "Friends Is a Weak Word for It: Female Friends and the Spectre of Lesbianism in Sara Paretsky." Oh, I thought Hal-loween was over.

That bit of crankiness aside, even though the academics here discuss the category "woman" while omitting almost entirely the category "lesbian," I have to say that the essays in this collection are fascinating, well-written and loaded with astute observations. I've never liked the novels of P.D. James; thanks to SueEllen Campbell and Nicola Nixon, I now have solid reasons for my antipathy.

Detective fiction offers entertainment and, when good, lots more. The essays in this collection are proof of that more. (Note to editor Glenwood Irons: Sarah Dreher and Claire McNab are misspelled in Klein's footnote 14. Tacky.) ▼



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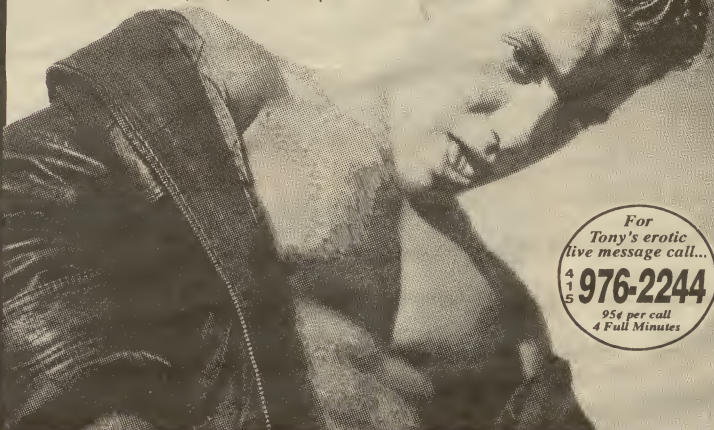
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Carol Lynley

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Jean, did manage to bow out of the debacle.

"At the end of our three weeks of rehearsal, Judy came to me and said, 'Carol, this is a piece of shit. I'm leaving.'" Lynley recounts with a laugh. "And the very next day Ginger Rogers showed up. Ginger did the part with absolutely no rehearsal. She was incredible."

A bigger regret than accepting the *Harlow* role was Lynley's decision to turn down a part starring opposite the bordering-on-stardom Jack Nicholson in 1970's *Five Easy Pieces*. The film's producers offered her the Susan Anspach role as the cultivated fiancée of Nicholson's brother, but she wanted the flashier Karen Black part as Nicholson's waitress girlfriend. Because of this, and the producers' request that she work for scale, Lynley passed on the film.

Lynley managed to work steadily in film and on TV (including practically every other episode of *Fantasy Island*) through the late '80s. These days, she still rustles up the occasional acting gig (she's currently trying to interest a producer in a remake of *Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?* starring herself and her old *Harlow* rival Carroll Baker), but mainly she keeps busy swimming, painting and generally enjoying life at her home in Malibu's treacherous but lovely Big Rock Area.

Lynley's also been spending a lot of time lately with a close

Parting Glances

Monday 10/2, 7:15pm, Castro & Market
You: Tall, blond, glasses, moustache, red jacket, great smile. Me: Asian, goatee, white shirt, black briefcase, heading for Chevron Station. We smiled a lot, but didn't speak. It's been a while, are you still interested? **7102.**

Friday 9/28, S. Horn Concert
You at Culinary Institute and or Rinaldi from LA. We sat at the same table with my female neighbor and your female friend. Please call. **7103.**

Muni - Steve 10/11
You were waiting for Muni/18th Castro. I was getting coffee across the street. Would love to talk again! Call me! Mr. USA Larry. **7104.**

Castro Street Fair
You stood next to me and smiled. I followed but lost you in the crowd. The next day I watched you get on a crowded L train at Church and Market. I would have followed if there was any room. When will we meet again? **7105.**

Jim's Boyfriend's Ex.
Saw you at Underwood last year, in web thing during Folsom St. Fair, at Greg & Tim's house warming party, at Castro St. Fair. You always smile. I want you. **7106.**

Folsom Street Fair
My name is Joe. I have dark hair, bearded, hazel eyes, and 6' tall. You have salt and pepper short hair, beard, balding glasses and blue eyes. You said you work for PG&E on lived outside of SF. We went to an alley way and held on to each other for a long time. Last your s*, please call. **7107.**

Frederick
We met at the Esalen bookshop a couple of weeks ago. Can we continue? I have a special message in mind, just for you. Tom from Santa Monica. **7108.**

Badlands Sun 10/15
Your blue denim shirt. Me: white T-shirt, jeans, 5'7", dark hair, sitting next to you at bar. Both of you were attractive but not interested. But when you left I said good night. I was too stunned to come up w/ an intro. Would like to meet you. **7144.**

Gourmet: Sun 10/15
First noticed you waiting outside the restaurant. For obvious reasons, I couldn't tell you that your cute eyes & smile made me melt. Call & let me tell you in person. **7145.**

14th & Dolores: Sat 10/21 at 11:45 am
You: slim WM w/black-rimmed glasses, dark hair, in red/maroon T-shirt, holding a banana. Me: AM in striped long-sleeved shirt & shorts going to my car. We glanced & smiled several times & said hello, but you kept walking & looking back! Would like to share a banana split with you. **7146.**

Safeway Fillmore P-Hot 10/20 4pm
Me: 23, neck brace, amnesia almost passed out again when you said hi. You: 25, 5'11", black hair, awesome smile, came to help me rebuild my memory? **7268.**

10/18 in Walgreens
You: Handsome Asian guy with white T-shirt and blue jeans, looking on bottom shelf. Me: tall, dark hair, white tank top and jeans, we admired each other. Glanced at I left. Want to talk w/ you. **7269.**

Tuesday 10/17 24 & Castro
You: Dark hair, moustache, boarding Divisadero bus around 10:00am on Tuesday. Me: faded jeans, graying beard, blue t-shirt. Would like to connect. Please call. **7270.**

Oakland 18th St. BART Tues 10/17 5pm
Me: Scruffy black leather jacket, jeans, brown hair. You: Taller, black hair, blue suit, tie. We craned heavily but I was a shy doofus. You're sexy. Care to meet? **7271.**

Twinspeak Bar Fri Oct 6
This is Jim from Pleasanton. You are bit of San Jose. We talked on corner. I've tried to phone. No s*. I'd like to hear from you. **7272.**

Ray 10/23 S.F.S.H
You: Handsome, gray sweater and slacks w/ silver jewelry. Took waiting cab. Me: Giants cap, red flannel shirt, goatee. I asked your name and you said maybe we'd meet again. Call. Talk with me. **7273.**

Danny
Church St Muni. Saw you by the escalator on Friday, Oct 20 at 2pm. I had to get downtown. Can't get you out of my mind. Please call. **7274.**

The Eagle 10/22 Bear Bust
You were w/ a friend and wearing amber shades. Our eyes met as I was sitting up against the wall in a blue den shirt. I waited for you to return. I'm still interested if you are! **7275.**

You're Black And I'm White
Thursday afternoon Oct. 19: Castro between 15th and Beaver. You were preoccupied at a doorway as I walked by. I distracted you and was too shy to stop, but your determined eyes followed me. I'd like to meet you. **7276.**

Van Ness & Market, Monday 10/23, 11am
You: Handsome WM w/ glasses. Me: Asian with glasses and back pack. We passed each other crossing the street, and we both said "hi" and smiled. Would like to get to know you. Raymond. **7277.**

Pierced Bell Bottom - Universe
You're stunning (Asian-Eur mix?) cruised by for year at Universe, but have no confidence. I'm average, all-American white boy, always with my roommate. You know who I am (Kevin). **7301.**

Raging Waters 8/17
You: Flower bikini, bubble butt, friend. Lost glasses in pool, smooth & defined. Me: Blue Speedo, muscular, sexy, lusty but too shy to approach. **7302.**

SOMM On Your Jacket 10/24 - BART
I was with a blonde woman around 7:00pm. We took the same train. You fell asleep. Hope you didn't miss your love. Love your face, great bulge! Call **7302.**

Fri 10/27 J-Church 7:20pm
I spoke to you just before we both got off the J at 18th. Then we boarded the 33 and both got off at Guerrero. I glimpsed you turned your head. You: 5'7", handsome, thinning dark hair, jeans. Me: muscular Asian in green tee, 50L's, black leather backpack. Call. **7303.**

Shawn 3 Fingers Black
Young Hayward. We met at the club 10/13 please call. Jon Berkeley. **7304.**

Stallone, Friday 10/27, 9:30pm
You: Handsome blonde in black shirt dining with a friend. Me: black-haired guy in a grey sweater with four friends. We exchanged lots of looks and smiled, but we didn't speak. I'd really like to meet you. I'm really nice. Give me a call. **7305.**

Marcus, Jr's 10/20
You introduced yourself. I was too awestruck to say much. You left before I got up the nerve to give you my number. Would really like to get to know you. If you interested in meeting, please call. **7306.**

Just Right In Cala
Spoke with you in Cala on Sunday, 10/22 I compared junk food to your healthy cereal, you thought mine would be more fun. You: 5'10", attractive, great eyes, smile, wearing Birkenstocks with socks. Me: 5'10", attractive, muscular, short s/p hair, jeans. Interested? Please call Mike. **7307.**

Safeway Check-out
Diamond hts, dinner hour. You: 30's, 5'10", glasses, blue Oxford cloth, tie, grey sub compact. Me: thin, 30's, mustache, 6'0", white toy. **7308.**

Mr. Top Hat From Thurston
You were wearing big pants, bow tie, had a great butt and chest. I was wearing big wig and a karate outfit. We met in the front of Badlands. Skip the drag and lets have dinner or coffee. **7347.**

Seeking Relationship M-M

SF GWM Top Wanted For LTR
With generous submissive bottom. You: younger than I, dominant, like drink, eating out, cuddling, affectionate, HIV+ healthy. We: 5'11", romantic! Me: GWM, 52, 5'11", 219lbs. **7109.**

I Want More
GWM looking for more than sex. I'm 6', 35yrs, 195#, hairy and a bottom. I love kissing, holding hands, long walks. So give me a call. **7110.**

Latino Seeking BM
Attractive, 5'9", 150#, 30yos, healthy smooth body, youthful face. Seeking BM 25-45 relationship oriented, in good shape for friendship or LTR. Serious only please. **7111.**

Searching For Soulmate
Or just a friend. GWM 31, ISO GGL, GLM 28-40. Like movies, music or just a night at home cuddling. Be sincere, employed w/ a sense of humor. All calls returned. **7114.**

Hungry Sub, Bottom Wanted
Hot man, 58, 5'8", 135#, good build. I'm aggressive, very verbal, caring, ISO goodlooking bottom for LTR, sharing good times. If in good shape call. **7115.**

Wanted: Versatile Stud Bottom
GWM mostly top but sometimes likes to switch. Seeks GWM/GLM btwn 25-40yos in good shape, clean shaven for hot sexy fun and maybe more. Me: Goodlooking in shape 40yos, 5'6", 145# brn/bm, successful, open & secure. **7116.**

Shy Working Class Guy
46, HIV+, healthy, white, 5'8", 170#, used to be a hippy into exercise, long walks, genealogy. Seeks similar, any race, age 40+ for casual friendship and sex. **7117.**

Attractive GWM, 35, HIV+
Seeks GWM lover over 6'0", who enjoys sharing good times together and is not afraid of a relationship. I'm honest, hot, sexy, smooth, top so call me! Let's talk. **7118.**

Seeking Mr. Goofy Sir!
I need a dominant man who likes to play rough and also likes to laugh. I'm 36yo 5'11", 180# w/ a gym-toned body. You be fit, attractive and eclectic. Live in SF or a. **7119.**

Top Dad Seeks GWM
GWM Dad (top, 48yo, 5'9", 175#, mustache) seeks younger GWM bottom for good times in SF area. **7120.**

Seeking HIV+ Guys
I'm Latin 24, 5'7", 170#, good looking, healthy, dark skinned, college student, mostly a top. I would like to meet guys 21-35 for friendship maybe more. I prefer someone who is outgoing, sincere, and fun. **7121.**

Asian Little Prince
You are cute with a smart mind, a good heart, romantic, witty and tired of bullshitters. I am a European GDM, 40's, 5'8", quite tall, honest and seeking a w/ 18-25, NS, younger Asian/Eur, into healthy food, movies, politics? real love (whatever that means). Call. **7122.**

GWM 42yo Sks Dates Without Agenda
5'11", 165#, br/bl, HIV-, secure, offering seasoned conversation mixed with lighthearted honesty. Avail for frndship to LTR. SF is magical. You're 30-45yo, any race w/ simple, human qualities to share. **7142.**

Buffed GWM 4 Quality GWM
Masc, muscular, atre & intelligent, intensely spirited African-AM exec sks handsome, very mature, confident, witty, gym-toned Euro-Am hunk for sex, laughs, frndship, maybe more. **7143.**

Just A Normal Guy
I'm a regular GWM, 24, secure in my career and generally happy w/ life. I'd like to share it w/ some one special. Me: br/bl, slim, healthy, HIV+. I tend to be attracted to older (30-45), hirsute men who believe in commitment. **7241.**

Asian Boy-Man
Gdlyk, cute, active, hnt, 5'8", 140#, 20something, short hair, body piercing, amused, appreciates honesty, creativity, kitsch, leisure time & beauty. Has too many interests to list. You're 20/30something, exciting, clever, confident & certainly doable. My taste in men is like my taste in art: universal & eclectic. Call to find out if there is mutual attraction & compatibility. The indolent & joyless need not respond. Talk to you soon! **7165.**

Just Desserts
You get maybe your best blow job yet. I get your full load (the more the merrier, the more the better). Yum, yum! Call now. You'll be glad you did. Me too! **7239.**

River Phoenix Incarnation
Seeks blessed generous gentleman to adore, to care for and basically to go where no man has gone before!! **7240.**

Platonic, Slim, Retired Guy
Moustache, HIV-. Seeks similar guy. Interests: Music, opera, politics, etc. Smoke/bars tolerable. **7242.**

Romance Love Me
You 18 to 30 together, happy NS, 40yo, 6'4", bl/bl romantic wants you. call. **7243.**

Muscular Attraction
Monogamous, romantic Asian enjoys dating, cooking, film, dancing, TV, fashion, 50L's, art, weights & aerobics. mutual body worship & tit play. I like 30s, 5'7", 150#, 40c, 30w, 14a, mustache, HIV-, NS. ND if you're monogamous, muscular, HIV-, 35-45 with similar interests, call. **7244.**

Are You Asian, Smooth and Muscular?
I'm GWM, 38, w/ a muscular body, honest, sincere. Seeking an Asian to date who is reliable, level-headed, honest, and not afraid to commit. Positively no flakes! Only sincere replies. **7245.**

Romantic Seeks Same
We: Love romance with our sex, weekend dining and drinking. You: probably younger than I, smooth, affectionate, top, GWM, 52, 5'11", 220#. **7246.**

Santa Cruz Brother
Looking for son, little brother to enjoy and appreciate. Come visit for a week, end, or for the right person, stay for ever. Nothing too kinky, no SFM. Mutual care and respect. **7247.**

Hispanic Seeking Asian
Attractive Hispanic, 27, 5'6", 165#, clean cut & clean shaven. I enjoy movies, diner and exercising. Not into bar scene. Seeking Asians w/ similar characteristics around my age for friendship, dating and possible relationship. Femmes welcome. **7248.**

Blue Collar Musician
GWM, handsome Irish/English, young 40, healthy, HIV+, top, 5'10", 150#, br/br w/ goatee seeks GWM or GBL 30-45 into Rock & Roll, partying w/ friends at home. No bar scenes. Motorcycle, convertible, musician at. **7249.**

Not Dating Yet 35yo Filipino
Down to Earth looking for honest, sincere, straight acting, GWM, 35-40yo for walk on the beach, movies, dining out, beard & mustache would be nice, must be Giants & 49ers. **7250.**

University Student From Europe
25yo good looking open-minded hairy masc, 6'1", 170#, br/br, ND, NS, need someone to love. Looking for intelligent, romantic, loving, attractive, slender, also HIV+ partner around 24-44 w/ good sense of humor for LTR to enjoy life of leisure, travel, fun and more together. I prefer movies, music, dining, dancing. San Francisco outdoors, driving, kissing and many more. **7251.**

Yng Guy To Love
Seeks horny, affectionate WM 18-27 for friend, companion, roommate, to share life w/ & love by prof. emp!d. WM 50 (look yng). **7112.**

Are You Indian
From the land of Row Shankar. I am a GWM 43, seeking a special relationship w/ a bright and articulate Indian fellow. Lets expand each others repertoire. **7252.**

Looking For Romance In Ebay??
I'm a GWM, 34, 5'7", 165#, br/br w/ hairy chest, HIV-. I'm a old fashion romantic into candlelight, dinners walk on the beach, movies and good conversation, so if your about the same as an tired of the bar scenes, then call me soon. **7253.**

Handsome, Sadiatic, Caring Daddy
6', stocky(210) seeks attractive boy to relocate to Louisville KY to be kept naked & serve dad. Smoke, drink OK but no drugs. **7254.**

GWM Seeking GBL
28, 5'10", 180#, work out, masculine honest, attractive, down to earth guy seeking someone similar who enjoys outdoors, intimacy and healthy lifestyle. **7255.**

Looking For A Loved One
Want a long time rev. w/ the right person. I am a GWM(42, 42, 5'9", mstch, good kisser, romantic, loved to hug, quiet times, beach and moonlight. Looking for a GWM, w/ mstch or goatee, HIV-, w/ good heart, sense of humor and same interest as mine. I am 22yo. Must be 35-45, **7256.**

All We Need Is Love
Hot over sexed bottom 45, 130#, 5'8", clean-cut, well-lung looking for butch, well-hung, hairy top for hot oral and anal action and lots of good loving. I need your love and your body. **7257.**

I'm Here You're There, No Fair!
You & I are very similar, tall, dark, masculine, handsome, liberal, mature but still a kid inside, sense of humor, spiritual, into arts, film, music. Serious romantic & passionate kisser. 40yo, European. You: 30-40, both HIV-, in shape. No queers, guppies, net-web, cyber geeks, or anal sex freaks. So why am I here and you there? Let's touch. **7352.**

Black Mate
SW attr man would like to meet prof! many black man for adventurous spontaneous behavior sexual/emotional fantasies explored 35-45/emo in good shape. **7350.**

Rugged and Masculine
Athletic Asian, 48, 5'9", smooth swimmer's build, seeks clean-shaven, smooth, gym toned WM for adventurous companion into hiking, sports, workouts, ethnic foods, arts, travel and sensual pleasures. **7261.**

Seeking Very Handsome, Masculine Couple For LTR
Unaffected, affectionate, manly, dark, Italian, very endowed 32yo (5'9", 165#, 29" w), optional facial hair seeks other very muscular progressive. Passions: Nature, architecture, Europe/Italy, music 1890-1940, contemporary art, antiques, gardening. NS, east coast at+. **7263.**

Are You Ready?
Good looks & body, nice chest. 5'11", 169#, goatee, buzzed thinning hair, retired/successful man 50, HIV+, very healthy, ISO: GW young man (20-35) hot body, clean cut, ND, NS and wants to be dedicated. Hung at. **7264.**

Cuddly Bear Dad Wanted
Asian cub wants to snuggle during hibernation with papa cub. Snuggle, affection, hugs and kisses. **7266.**

Nica Guy Seeks Same
Attractive, HIV+, 5'8", 130#, br/bl, 43, top, quickwitted, strong personality, enjoys going out and staying home, good company and fantastically loyal seeks partner total bottom, passionate independent and fun loving. **7266.**

Handsome Masculine Black Male
This masculine 40+ BM, 6', 205#, very clean, very discreet, healthy, 9+, uncult, thick, seeks attractive athletic built male well hung 9+ thick or hot bubbly aut! musc legs, race open. **7267.**

Spicy Meat
Attractive GWM, 23, 5'11", br/bl, fit muscular ISO affectionate, cute, sensitive guy to 30yo any race, for love and kisses. **7268.**

These Lonely Lips
Attractive GWM, 23, 5'11", br/bl, fit muscular ISO affectionate, cute, sensitive guy to 30yo any race, for love and kisses. **7268.**

Relationship = Friendship
Do you need someone special in your life? Maybe a friend or partner? Attractive GWM, 30's, 5'8", 150#, in shape, trust worthy and spiritual. WLM, GWM, 25-45 for passionate relationship. I live in Sacramento and WLM Bay Area GWM. **7309.**

Warholian
25, inspired, poor, feckish, unconventional, sexy educated, intuitive, Thelonious, skinny, visionary, colonized, romantic, adventurous, demanding, abductee, oppressed, spiritual accessible, capricious, unyielding, Mexican. **7310.**

Seeks SF HIV+ Top GWM
for generous submissive bottom. We: healthy, attitude-free, humorous. Like driving, smoking, weed, partying. We need each other for sex and romance. Me: GWM, early 50's, 5'11", 220#. **7311.**

Seeking Twin Brother
GWM, 55', 140#, br/bm, clean shaven, good body, mind & spirit. 40yo. Seeks twin for fun hot time and possible long term relationship. **7312.**

Blonde Passion
Dominant top guy, 35, 185#, 6'1", muscular, dark hair and eyes seeks evil, thin, muscular blondes 18-38yo for fuck action, good times. Let's explore the possibility of regular sex relationship. **7313.**

Hopful Romantic
GWM, 42yo, 5'11", 185#, drk hair/eyes, masculine, considered handsome, hairy, good build, enjoys hiking, bike rides, sunsets on the beach, candle light dinners, exploring the coast, old movies, freepalms and long, passionate kisses. I'm HIV+, but very healthy and definitely a top. Looking for honest, stability, romance, commitment in a loving relationship. **7314.**

Confident Persons
Simply put, I wholeheartedly desire a GWM age 35-50, very intelligent, witty and many other admirable characteristics, tat can enjoy having a mature 23yo attractive GBL in their presence. **7315.**

New Romance
Asian, late 20's, very healthy, very caring and has lots of love to give. If you're GWM under 38, attractive and HIV+, please call. **7316.**

Sensual, Sexual, Eternally Romantic
got your attention? GWM, 36, 5'4", 130#, br/bl, HIV-, handsome, cute, professional and employed. Infinite dreams, fabulous sense of humor. Looking for GWM, 30-50, HIV-, for dating, living, love, and limitless future. **7317.**

Ital. Seeks Vers GWM/GWM
Ital. 54, 6'1", 210#, clean cut, handsome, vers, seeks GWM any age to 40. I am very, pref. brm, HIV+, but healthy. I am very friendly and passionate person. Call any time, I msg. This is more than just a sex ad. I msg will call you back ASAP! Love! **7318.**

Where Are You?
Attractive GWM, 27, 5'8", blonde seeks Mr Right. We are both masculine, HIV-, very healthy, fun, for Me: bottom. I have many interest. Take a chance. **7319.**

Although Variety Is The Spice Of Life
I'd like one special man with whom to share it. My favorites are travel, food, and all that is yummy, what are yours? for the right person, this blond, 32yo, 23yo, Italian has a big heart and a big. Please be HIV-, like myself. Thanks. **7320.**

Doctors, Uniforms, Leather, Germans
GWM, 34, 5'7", 155#, hairy & facial hair, ISO above for reciprocal hard play, SM, operations, maybe more? You also HIV-, 25-45, hairy butt, facial hair must, top or bottom, varied interests & bright. **7321.**

I Care
I a GWM, 40's, HIV-, looking for someone to share life together and for each other. I am a caring loving and honest person. Looks are not everything. I have a lot to offer. SF please. **7344.**

A Good Bet
This creative, attractive and engaging GWM, 165#, 6', brn/bm, HIV-, clean shaven, seeks smart, happy and confident 35-40yo with a sense of humor. Lets get together and see if we can experience some romance. Give me a try. **7349.**

Seeking Adventure M-M
Your Hot Butt
My bushy moustache & long tongue. A wild ride you'll never forget. Me = hot, 37yo, GWM, 6', 160#, brn/blu. **7138.**

Seeking Tops
Latino, 25yo, 5'10", 150#, bottom, HIV+, looking for masculine Latinos, blacks, Arabs or Italians who would like to fuck me, use me, rape me. **7123.**

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Daytrippers

Do you get it on guys hung smaller than you? This GWM, 39, hot, horny, hairy (dry) bald, HIV+, healthy, seeks your attention. Bottom/versatile, ND, smoke, friendly, beard/goatee a +. **7124.**

Indeed I'm In-Heed

34yo, BM, 5'11", 180, slim, very versatile great kisser. Seeking straight-acting, attractive, wht or Hsp man, 30-50yo, 5'10" or taller, hairy is nice but not necessary. Let's get nasty. **7126.**

Rectal Exam

Send over and show that hole! Hairy, balding, beard doctor gives safe, gloved, slippery rectal exams. You prostate massaged and balls tugged JO for the doctor while on all 4s. Squirmy w/ delight, experience wild, exquisite orgasms. Submissive and uncensored encouraged to reply. Also, married fellows who require expert ass attention. Latex/Asian are a plus. Exams provided to almost all. **7126.**

Free Quality Massage

to hot young guys who take good care of themselves. I'm 6'2", 178#, 42, masculine, goodlooking and give strong, safe, genuine, nurturing touch. Table. **7127.**

Hot Handsome Hair Top

40's, 6', 165#, healthy, HIV+. Established, affectionate, romantic, at home kind of guy. Sing masc, in-shape bms. Hairy, beard, uncensored, but not regd. Let's fuck! **7131.**

Dominant Top Wanted

GWM, athletic, thin, 35yo, 5'6", 130#, bl/grn, moderate body hair, 100% btm. Seeking 100% top (GWM/GAM), 30-42 yrs to dominate, spank, glow me, show me the ropes. Prf athletic types w/moderate body hair. Let me serve you. One time or LTR poss. **7128.**

Long & Slow Fun

6 hr sucker for your video room. Cum 3-4 times! Motivated, hard-working, long blond hair, cute, late 30s, long medium tools pref. **7129.**

Here Is My Fantasy

I lay naked on my bed, you walk in, grease my man's hole & fuck me all night long. GBM preferred. I can take big uncensored dicks. **7130.**

I'm Waiting For You To Pick Me Up

Waiting for your large muscular Asian top body to pick me up in a public place, take me to your place & beg this hairy guy to please you. This time you submit. Leave place, time, description. One time only! No names, numbers. Just you know what. **7132.**

Software Seeks Hard Drive

5'3", 125#, GWM, 35, computer professional seeks clean, professional GWM buddy, 29-39yo, for fun & more! Let's chat. **7134.**

Slow Suck And Squirt Show

Hot porn star wannabe into costumes/role playing seeks prolonged, excruciating, show-off cock tease w/ mirrors, cameras, audiences until pent-up piz-loads shoot off in creamy, explosive, gut-wrenching, eye-catching cumshots! **7135.**

Spread Eagle

Ever fantasized about having a hot, built man tied down to your bed for you to fondle & tease? I'll writhe, flex & sweat for your amusement & desire long, slow pleasure-torture until forced to beg for release. NS, HIV+. **7156.**

Hot Asian Top Seeks GWM

I'm 5'7", 145#, healthy HIV+, nice body & smooth skin, aggressive, looking for good times in bed with taller GWM. RU ready for non-stop action? **7136.**

Thin Muscle Fuck Guys

My most intense and wanted sex fantasy involves ectomorph muscle dick fuck and flex. Top/bottom, top & relationship. Is that you? Flexed biceps, defined abdominals, hairy arms are major turn on. **7137.**

Mouth Watering Endowed Black Dad

Needs some masc, mature, deepthroat btmers and/or discreet, body builder types for brief-but-intense quickies at my place. Sincere only pls. **7139.**

Washboard Waist?

When ever this handsome young GWM sees a set of well-defined stomach muscles, I fantasize about slapping and punching those hard ripped abs. Please make my fantasy come true! Smooth and Asian or Latin and muscular a plus. **7140.**

Well Hung Body Builder

Ebay Seeks encounter w/ aggressive top(s) for face fucking sessions and more while my wife watches. Must be STD. **7141.**

Man Handle

5'10", 175#, hard man, HIV, BB, beard thick toy, Latin/white max wants big buffed, very masculine, must be BB, for mutual JO. Hot macho career for good kisser. Hairy man (not required) hungry for mutual affection encouraged. **7141.**

Playmate Wanted

Cumming to SF for first time 10/26-11/4. Me: 30yo, 5'9", 185#, br/bl, short hair & goatee. You: 25-35yo, 5'9"-6'4", stocky/beefy, hairy, 7+, uncensored, WS/top! **7154.**

Distinguished Artist/Schoolmaster

Sks intellectually curious part-time students who would respond to creative stimulation "underscored" by rhythmic discipline. Should have strengths to offer as well as need to receive. Safe only HIV-, Hung, body hair, muscles, penis/ass, all +. **7155.**

Let's Rub Boners

Stick yr dick inside my shorts. Slide & squeeze our swollen dildos together. Watch me shoot right on yr stiff dong. Pump yr load onto my big peter. I'm 42, 5'9", 145#, cln/shn, gdlng. **7157.**

Fuck Daddy Needed

By 36yo btm boy Pump & spank my tight bubble ass. Make me yr reg pussy boy for yr hard dick. **7158.**

Blonde Turn-On

Attrc, well-bit, HIV- sks hairy, bit blonde for hot, sweaty, mutual tongue action. **7159.**

Wanted: Big Hairy Pecs

Tall, lean, hairy daddy w/tailed bearded mouth will lick, lap, suck big hairy pecs/nips, lean & defined to massive muscle. Big arms & pits lapped, not licks, deep throat, 6e butch, stashed w/hairy arms & legs. **7160.**

No String To Tie Me Down

(out of bed that is!) 23yo white vers/bottom, 5'11", br/bl, 30" waist, seeks smooth vers/tops under 30 for regular fun. Wild and adventurous. Day times a +. **7215.**

Cock Sucker

Looking for, any size, cut or uncensored. You heavier/husky, masculine. Give verbal abuse/instruction. One time or regular servicing. Me: WM very masculine, goodlooking. **7216.**

Man To Man

GWM, 40, 6'1", 175#, br/bl, seeking hard body, muscular white man into JO & man to man action w/ a rub. **7232.**

Tall, Handsome and Ebay

Men wanted by 27yo GAM. Cute slim body, 5'7", 136#, HIV-, bottom. Looking for well endowed top for good times. You should be 30-45, masculine, HIV-, in shape. I will service you well. **7235.**

Gummy Seeks Pokay

For Bouncy. **7220.**

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White Hog Rider

I see you smoking big stinky, it took a lot to say hi and shake your hand. You make me quiver when I see you. I'd move heaven and earth to make you want me, as I want you. If I could, you'd be my lone star. **7217.**

Older Men Afternoon Sex

Free in afternoons! Like oral sex. Let me drop to my knees and unzip your pants looking for sex. No commitment. Me: 5'10", 150#, 37/bm/tn. You: tall, mature, hung/big balls. **7219.**

Almae Athletes

Gdkg Berkeley athlete, 5'9", 1540#, 41, br/bl, ISO Asian, Latino or Afr-American guys, smooth, under 140, under 40, into fun, sane, sexy high energy wrestling, or just safe sex. I'm cool, friendly, easy going, HIV-, and adventurous. You are too. Beginners welcome. Ebay preferred. **7223.**

I'm Single Now, Let's Party In SF

Marriage no, been there, done that. I'm 5'10", 165#, br/bl, smooth body. HIV+. You: Strong, gdlng, dom & hung, top my bottom & teach me. **7227.**

Pyromania

GWM, 29, 5'10", seeks live wire for combustible good times. You bring the spark, I'll bring the kerosene. No drags, icebergs, storm clouds or wet blankets. Start something before the fire session ends. 40 or under. **7224.**

Can You Come Out And Play

This 30something fag, hairy, good-looking, in shape is looking for other guys who think sex is a fun adventure best enjoyed when you're in like it rough and slow, nice and mean, fast and slow. I just like good safe sex. **7225.**

Looking For Asian Top

Goodlooking 38yo, GWM, seeking good times w/ an Asian top man. I'm clean-cut, clean-shaven, hairy-chested, HIV-, blonde, blue, and ready for you. **7226.**

Educate The Elderly!

Submissive older male is eager to earn Master's degree in sexual service. If you're a macho master under 50 willing to give advanced training to a talented cocksucker/ass licker, please try this pliable, well-behaved Ebay senior citizen. **7228.**

Are You Masculine

Handsome and built nicely? Me! top Looking for hot manly sex and maybe a secret affair w/ married b police man, I'm obedient, HIV-, discrete, and sport cop shield tats. **7229.**

Best Little Cock-Sucker In San Francisco

I love to suck a nice long cock and in turn you fuck me till you cum. I'm a 45yo bottom, 5'8", 130#, well-hung & cut. You: butch, hairy, hung and good looking top. **7230.**

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Senior Sex? Why Not!

I enjoy individual and group meetings w/ horny, still functional men in their 50's and 60's. We will bodies. Direct response phone # required. **7325.**

V. Handsome Bodybuilder Wants Pussy Cat

He likes to play w/ you till you turn into a pussy cat in heat, pump your face, pin you down and ride you till you cum in ecstasy. You might want him to tie you up and beg him to ravage your ass. 88, 33, Asian/Hawaiian, chiseled muscular build. You: Attractive/fit. **7327.**

Opposites Attract

bottom guys with small dicks and tight butts drive me nuts. I'm a hot, masculine, muscular top man with 8 1/2 of thick, hard, throbbing Italian dick. **7328.**

Feel It

Sexy, 24, 6'1", 175, br/bl, short goatee, shaved heads, incredible legs, HIV- seeks similar clean, GWM, w/ short hair for intense blow jobs - mutual or one-way(top or bottom). Please be under 30, tall, HIV-. **7329.**

Extra Thick Cocks Wanted

Masc, mature, husky GWM seeks men hung unusually thick. Length is great, but circumference is more important. Age & race are not important. I want my mouth or butt served to your satisfaction. **7330.**

East Bay Friend

Masculine, light BM, 6'2", 190# humorous, 40's, honest seeks Asian, Latin, Black friends for warm, intimate encounters in Hayward. **7331.**

We Three

Me: Italian, attractive, 5'9", toned. Him: Filipino, attractive, 5'5", toned. You: GWM, attractive, toned, top. **7332.**

Wanna Watch?

Kinda nasty, cute, monogamous couple (26 and 35yo) wants to watch and/or show off. Looking for built, creative, nice guys. Lemts respected. Outside, inside, car? Good locations groove. **7333.**

Friendly Versatile WM

58, 6', 165#, Ebay wants regular sensitive fuckbuddy LTR possible. You are NS, preferably slender. All else including age, race are not important. **7334.**

Civic Center Deep Throat

Seeks GWM/GLM 18-40, w/ 8" who enjoys sensual deep throat action. Must be clean, masculine, trim. ND LTR desired. Married or bisexual welcome. Discreet - no reciprocation necessary. **7335.**

P. Rican Stallion, 38yo

5'11", waist, 34, top, looking for a very hot ass bottom that I can fuck from 18-40yo, enjoy bike horse riding & mountain climbing, camping, opera, music. **7336.**

68 Partner Wanted

Attractive GAM (5'8", 175, 43) smooth masculine body seeks mature discreet GWM w/ masculine, well hung body for mutual oral satisfaction. Your place. **7336.**

Bear Lover's Special

200+, hairy, playful, 40's, 5'10", 250#, hunky, hairy, uncensored 18-35, slim guys for hot times. Expt/mndp, singles/couples, gay/bl, vanilla/adventurous. Available most nights, many eyes. Student or under 5'8" a +. **7343.**

Take Charge Top Wanted

Masculine bottom, 53, looking for confident guy 45-60, who loves being a top, likes safe sex, dominance, role playing. In-shape cockhound wants to meet up, give and get hot action. **7345.**

Seeking Hairy Cops

Discreet GWM, 42, likes to play w/ hairy cops. No reciprocation required. **7326.**

Give It Up

To this ripped, handsome dad, 5'11", 160#, 46, well defined, muscular strong hands, steady mind. If you're a scrawny-to-lean bottom boy, under 35, with a hungry ass, a buzzed head, and the right attitude, you're gonna be glad made the call. **7346.**

Hot, Hairy, Tight Ass

Likes big GBM to plow my man's hole. I like big dicks. Available on weekends. All night. **7348.**

Fetishes

Hot Guys

Hot times, good fun. **7279.**

Teach Me Tonight

Your leatherman, 35yo+, hot, exp in lthr play. Me: 5'10", 167#, br/bl, 42yo, attrc vers, pref 1-on-1 fun. Not a slave or exclusive btm. New to lthr scene, curious. **7148.**

Other

I'm looking for a guy w/ a muscular body w/ thick, huge, protruding nipples to date, are you out there? I'm 37, GWM, with a muscular body. Pts, be serious, honest and reliable. Pts, be flake. **7340.**

Naked Man

Like the feeling of your naked feet on pavement? Like to get naked in public/outside? Like to get naked in your car? If you tickle to nsg, call me. I'm 39, balding, goatee, 175#, hairy, handsome. You be 25-40, nice looking, athletic body, adventurous. Also into naked feet. **7341.**

GBM, 40, 8', Top, HIV-

Seeks nasty sexy boys who like it wild and raunchy. I'm a freak for raunchy underwear and the ass that comes along w/ it. Fi your tall, slim or petty chested scab bottom w/ big balls, have I got an ass fucking for you, 18-35, Latino, BM, A+, be discreet. **7351.**

Nature Lover

GWM, 6'2", 230#, 36yo, sks hiking buddies for moderate to strenuous excursions around Bay (Tam, Sunol, Big Basin, etc). The outdoors gets me horny. How about you? **7162.**

Castro Halloween Photo '84

You took our photo: Man in bridal veil, another w/flower garland on head. My friend died & it's the only photo of us together. Would like a print. **7163.**

Sugar Daddy

Sugar daddy seeks men 30-45 w/ moustache as companion for gourmet dining, travel, etc. **7201.**

Castro St. Fair Dilemma

Photo shop lost film (bitches) leaving to replace photo of me, a friend, and hard GWM desires a generous professional for occasional outings and lots of fun. enjoy the ride, conversation, and adventure. You: Wanting adventure, not a relationship. Call me. **7203.**

Casual Arrangement Sought

Young, cute, tall, fit, and hard GWM desires a generous professional for occasional outings and lots of fun. enjoy the ride, conversation, and adventure. You: Wanting adventure, not a relationship. Call me. **7203.**

Wrestling Sport Of Kings

6', 180#, wrestler seeks same size guys to wrestle. Clean healthy sport, nobody gets hurt. Both guys win. Friendly muscular guy. Mat w/ mirror. I look like Tarzan. Its ok if don't. Jock straps or nude, your choice. **7204.**

Tennis Partner Wanted

Dolores Park. Have played one year. Play regularly and learn fast. Want to improve skills and have fun. GWM, 40. **7205.**

Seeking Snowboarding Buddy

Snowboarder seeks same for winter shredding - especially weekdays at Kirkwood. I am GWM, 31, w/adv powderhound. **7206.**

GWM Seeks GWF

GWM, 34, educated & fun loving, seeks similar GWF for mutually advantageous relationship. **7207.**

Naked Lunch

Midday encounters sought by healthy, HIV+, tall, hung, good looking, hairy guy who's experienced. You: Be above 35, gay or bi and similar. **7342.**

Couples

We Love Asian Men! GWM cpl, 40s, tall, well hung, king for Asian men for hot 3-ways. Pts be HIV-ND. Just for fun? More? **7161.**

GW Couples Wanted

Very handsome GWM, 27, 5'10", 175#, 40yo, hairy, uncensored, HIV-, ND. Let me be your live sex toy! **7208.**

Barefeet

I have enjoyed lifelong excitement looking at and fantasizing about the barefeet. I'm very aroused sexually safe sexually by kissing, licking, smelling, and caressing barefeet in reciprocal action. JO. Gdkg Ebay GWM, 5'8", 140#, tan, bearded, HIV-, NA, ND. **7210.**

Exhibitionist?

GWM, 30, 165#, lean, in shape, seeks very muscular, GWM or GLM interested in showing off his well-defined body. Pose and flex for body worship sessions. Will consider fantasy play and pec massage. **7209.**

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Friday 10

Born

New solo performance by Justin Chin: experiencing the Big '80s in South East Asia. \$5. 8:30pm. ATA, 992 Valencia. 824-3890.

Brilliant Traces

Encore Theatre Co. presents Cindy Lou Johnson's offbeat comedy, thru 11/19. \$12-21. 8pm. 450 Geary Studio Theatre. 346-7671.

The Cost of Desire

"Bondage, black men & auto-erotic suicides," all-male exhibition of b&w erotic photography by Brad Braverman, Rick Castro, Jim James. Opening tonight, \$5. 7pm. Sat. & Sun., 1-6pm thru 12/3. \$2. Mark I. Chester studio, 1229 Folsom. 292-3233.

Eyeball to Eyeball

Larry Ackerman in a solo multi-image performance. Thurs-Sun. thru 11/12. \$10. 8pm. SOMAR Theatre, 934 Brannan. 861-6899.

The Green Table

Oakland Ballet's revival of Kurt Jooss' 1932 anti-war masterpiece. Fri. & Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 2pm. \$10-33. Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley. (510) 762-2277.

The Hustler

"(Part One: Twisted)," a multimedia live performance by David E. Johnston, set in the landscape of rural America. Thurs-Sat. thru 11/18 at 8pm. \$7-10. The LAB, 2948 16th St. 864-8855.

Inside Straight

Two gay men and two lesbians preoccupied luck-drawn love. Fri. & Sat. thru 11/18. \$12. 9pm. Marilyn Monroe Mem'l Theatre, 96 Lafayette. 552-3034.

Kristallnacht

Nancy Karp + Dancers' dance/theater piece set to Alvin Curran's *Crystal Psalms*. Thurs-Sun. thru 11/12 at 8pm. \$15-50. Theater Artaud, 450 Florida. 621-7797.

A Line Around the Block

Marga Gomez chronicles her father's life as a comedian and impresario in NYC's Latino community. Tues-Sun. thru 12/3. \$12-14. 8pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Meteor Girl

Three comic portraits by Katy Hickman. Wed-Sun. thru 11/19. \$13-19. 8:30pm. Magic Theatre, Bldg. D, Fort Mason. 441-8822.

Miss Julie

Peter Glockner directs August Strindberg's play about love, lust and corruption. Thru 11/12. \$16-18. 8pm. Bayfront Theatre, Bldg. B, Fort Mason. 392-4400.

Mona Rogers in Person

Helen Shumaker is back for 10th anniversary of her solo show, written by Philip Dimitri Galas. Thurs-Sun. thru 11/26, various times. \$16-18. 8pm. Cable Car Theatre, 430 Mason. 956-TIXS.

The Poseidon Adventure

In-person tribute to Carol Lynley, screening of the 1972 disaster pic, benefits SFGH Ward 5-A Patient Care Fund. Reception and show, \$25. Show, \$10. 11pm show, \$6. Castro Theatre, 429 Castro. 863-0611.

Pure Stand-Up

Mark Davis returns for an evening of cutting-edge humor. \$10. 10pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Shared Spaces

The Purple Moon Dance Project and Sinister Wisdom collaborate thru dance and written word, wimmin only, no use of scents. Fri. & Sat. \$10-15. 8pm. Luna Sea, 2940 16th St. 863-2989.

Sparks Fly VI

Music and poetry benefits U.S. women political prisoners: MothersTone, Carolyn Brandy, Chrystos, more. \$7-25. 7:30pm. Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St. 995-4735.

Veronica's Room

Ira Levin's suspense-thriller features Flynn, Trauma Jo Flintstone, Robin Huntington and Elizabeth Nafpaktitis. Thurs-Sat. at 9pm thru 11/11. \$10-12. Climate Theatre, 252 9th St. 626-6422.

Very McVerry

Maureen McVerry's one-woman cabaret show. Thurs-Sat. thru 11/11. \$12-14. 8pm. Plush Room, York Hotel. 885-2800.

Women Who Run with Swine

"Myths & Stories of a Lesbian Gal" Monica Grant in vignettes, songs, stand-up comedy and parody. Thurs-Sat. thru 11/11 at 8:30pm. \$10-12. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St. 861-5079.

Saturday 11

The Desk Set

All-male version of William Marchant's 1955 play examines the corporate closet, directed by Danny Scheie. Wed-Sun. thru 12/2, tonight at 8pm. \$12-18. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St. 861-5079.

Gay Comedy Night

Mark Davis, Karen Ripley, Tom Ammann. \$10. 10pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Gerardo

Midnight performance by Latin recording artist ("Rico Suave"), benefits Proyecto Contra SIDA Por Vida. \$12. Futura, 174 King. 665-6715.

Girth & Mirth Club

Chubby gay men and their admirers have a pre-Thanksgiving potluck. 7pm. Call for info. 824-0260.

Kirsten Flagstad: Voice of the Century

Exhibit on legendary Norwegian soprano on the 100th anniversary of her birth. Thru 12/28. SF Perf. Arts Library & Museum, 399 Grove. 255-4800.

Late Night with Joan Jett Blakk

Presidential candidate JJB hosts queerfolk who are movers and shakers, cohostess Betty Pearl. Sats. thru Nov. \$8. Midnight. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Dan Nicolette, Cathy Cade

Two noted photographers. Inaugural Exhibition at new offices of Gay & Lesbian Historical Society of No. Calif.

Sat. & Sun., 2-5pm thru 11/12. 973 Market, 4th fl. 775-5455.

No Exile

Mythic exploration of fascism and exile, a solo theatre piece written & performed by Ingeborg Weinmann. Thurs-Sat. thru 11/19. \$10. 8pm. Intersection for the Arts, 446 Valencia. 626-3311.

Palace of the Legion of Honor

Grand reopening, speeches, fly-over by vintage WWI planes. "Picasso the Sculptor" exhibition, 10am. Lincoln Park, 34th Ave. & Clement. 863-3330.

Pumping Copy

Monologist Josh Kornbluth reveals the inner life of a lowly copy editor. Thru 12/31, call for times. \$10-15. The Marsh, 1062 Valencia. 826-5750.

So What!

Fat Chance Belly Dancers. Showtime: 12 & 1am. \$4 before 11pm, \$6 after. Cat's Alley Club, 1190 Folsom. 431-3332.

Tropical Fruits

"& Roots of the New World," Dr. Tom Daniels, Chairperson, Dept. of Botany, Calif. Academy of Sciences, speaks to the Calif. Rare Fruit Growers. 1pm. Potrero Neighborhood House, 953 De Haro. (510) 654-6001.

Sunday 12

Ferron

Canadian singer-songwriter on her *Phantom Center* tour. \$18-20. 7pm. Palace of Fine Arts, 3301 Lyon. 924-JRTX.



GAWK Writers' Workshop

Jon Sugar hosts monthly discussion group of gay/bisexual writers. 1pm. A Different Light, 489 Castro. 731-2424.

Mary's Unplugged

Sister Kitty entertains with



You thought Fright Week was behind us, but there's more Death and Destruction on the horizon.

ABOVE: Brad Braverman's "auto-erotic suicides" are part of the exhibit of all-male erotic photographs, *The Cost of Desire*, opening at Mark I. Chester's gallery; they show with the always-notorious Jim James' photos of black, mostly nude men, and Rick Castro's bondage tableaux. (See Friday.)

ABOVE RIGHT: Shelley Winters takes a dip in *The Poseidon Adventure* in a rare screening of the 1972 disaster flick at the Castro. *Poseidon* alumnus Carol Lynley, the Sick and Twisted Players and surprise guests will be there. Who will survive? (See Friday.)

LEFT: Ron Thiele is "Death" in Oakland Ballet's production of *The Green Table*, a 1932 anti-war piece by Kurt Jooss at Zellerbach Hall in Berkeley. (See Friday.)

RIGHT: Finally, he's not dead, but MTV crooner Gerardo makes some of us swoon. Mr. "Rico, Suave" himself will make an appearance at Club Futura, the Latino dance club. (See Saturday.)

—R. Friedman

Monday 13

David Barnett

Exhibit of recent chalk pastels and pencil sketches of male nudes, thru 11/30. Moby Dick, 4049 18th St.

Carnival of Souls

"Mythic Figures in an Urban Landscape," exhibit of 100 human-scale dolls by Cassandra Light and The Way of the Doll School of Sacred Art. Thru 11/19. International Center, 50 Oak. (510) 273-9027.

Gay Comedy Open Mike

M.C. Amy Boyd, Aspiring queer comics sign up by phone. \$5. 8pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Betsy Kawamara & Todd Watkins

Collaborative work through photography and assemblage with found objects. Thru November. Mad Magda's, 579 Hayes. 865-7654.

Tuesday 14

Arcadia

ACT presents Tom Stoppard's play set in two time periods in an English country estate. Tues-Sun. at various times thru 12/3, tonight at 8pm. \$15-41. Stage Door Theatre, 420 Mason. 749-2ACT.

Asia/America

"Identities in Contemporary Asian-American Art" exhibition. Tues-Sun. thru 12/10. \$5. Center for the Arts, 701 Mission. 978-ARTS.

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Exhibition of years of Gay thru 12/10. the Arts, 701 978-ARTS.

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Facing E

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Gay Skat

Rink full of skates \$5 rental. 8:00 Roller Rink, Amphlett, S 1-800-473-



Defiant Legacy
Exhibition celebrates 25 years of Galeria de la Raza, thru 12/10. \$5. Center for the Arts, 701 Mission. 78-ARTS.

Willem de Kooning
The Late Paintings, The 980s" thru 1/7. SFMOMA, 51 3rd St. 357-4000.

Financial Resources
For People Living with HIV, free seminar on how to use insurance to meet current and future needs, presented by Brian D. Klein, reservations required. 6:30pm. Hyatt Regency, Embarcadero. 32-7805.

Quarantined Toys
Wood sculpture by Walter Robinson, and "It's a Beautiful World," new paintings by Evri Kwong. Tues.-Sat. thru 12/5. Morphos Gallery, 49 Geary. 399-1439.

The Transcendental Nude
Paintings and works on paper of the human figure. Thru 1/30. Naked Gallery, 355 Bryant, Loft 110. 284-0567.

Women With Balls
Showcase for women stand-up comics, every Tues. 8pm. Cat's Alley Club, 1190 Polson. 431-3332.

Wednesday 15

Coral Reefs
Ancient Volcanoes of the Bay Area" Wed.-Sun. 7:30pm. Randall Museum, Golden Gate Park. 63-3330.

Facing Eden
100 Years of Landscape Art in the Bay Area" Wed.-Sun. 11/26. \$5. deYoung Museum, Golden Gate Park. 63-3330.

Gay Skate
Link full of queers on roller-skates. \$5 includes skates rental. 8-10:30pm. Rolladium Roller Rink, 363 North Emphlett, San Mateo. 800-473-8658.



A Huey P. Newton Story
Portrait of the founder of the Black Panthers, created and performed by Roger Guenveur Smith. Wed.-Sun. thru 11/19. \$12-23. 8:30pm. Magic Theatre, Bldg. D, Fort Mason. 441-8822.

Lesbian & Gay Open Reading
Authors of both poetry and prose share their work, free. 7:30pm. Modern Times, 888 Valencia. 282-9246.

Millennium Coming
"The New Degenerate Art Show" curated by Michelle Rollman and Chris Komater. Judi Bamber, Jerome Caja, Meg Mack, Keith Mayerson, Barry McGee, more. Thru 11/18. The LAB, 2948 16th St. 346-4063.

Open All Night
Exhibit of photographs from Ken Miller's new collection: skinheads, addicts, whores. Reception tonight, 6pm. Thru

1/13. Vision North Gallery, 2300 Polk. 474-4581.

Agustin Pozo
Mixed media assemblages. Thru 11/30, call for times, at Bucheon Gallery on Vallejo, 2537 Vallejo. 863-2891.

Tambourines To Glory
Langston Hughes' rousing Gospel musical, directed by Danny Duncan. Thurs.-Sun. thru 11/19, call for times. \$18-22. 8pm. Lorraine Hansberry Theatre, 620 Sutter. 474-8800.

Shirley Valentine
Elizabeth Benedict stars as an English housewife who breaks out of the mold. Wed.-Sun. thru 12/3. \$15. 8pm. Mason Street Theatre, 340 Mason. 982-5463.

Tennessee Williams
Lyle Leverich reads from his new book *Tom: The Unknown Tennessee Williams*, free. 7:30pm.

Booksmith, 1644 Haight. 863-8688.

Thursday 16

Bay Area Award Show
Local visual and media artists Angela Lim, Kathy Spence, Ian Pollock and Janet Silk: work centered on the body, survival and testimony. Wed.-Sat., 12-5pm thru 11/18. New Langton Arts, 1246 Folsom. 626-5416.

Bingo
Gay bingo benefits Coming Home Hospice, every Thurs. \$12. Doors 6pm. Most Holy Redeemer Church, 100 Diamond St. 241-0425.

A Bright Room Called Day
UC Berkeley Center for Theater Arts presents Tony Kushner's drama of 30s Berlin. 11/16-19, 11/30-12/3. \$8. 8pm. Zellerbach Playhouse, UC Berkeley. (510) 642-9988.

Comedy Night
Tom Ammann, Vanessa Kaufman, Side 2 Side and Michael Rasky in a benefit for AIDS Community Network. \$20 advance, \$25 door. 8pm. Holiday Inn Bay Bridge, 1800 Powell, Emeryville. (510) 235-2505.

A False Sense of Well-Being
Ten artists who live and work at Collision: Mark Huckabay, Suzanne Bernel, Alice Lancefield, others, thru 12/2. Collision, 417 14th St. 431-4074.

Into the White
Artists who work with white, including David Colon, Daniel Nicoletta, Kent Taylor and Wise Fool Puppet Company. Thurs.-Sun. thru 1/7. Collision Gallery, 417 14th St. 431-4074.

Lengthening Shadows Before Nightfall
Exhibition of photographs by John Dugdale, thru 12/23. Shapiro Gallery, 250 Sutter. 398-6655.

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Mr. Triple R Leather winners last Saturday, November 4 in Guerneville (L. to R.): first runner-up Michael Christensen; the winner, Scott Voelte; and second runner-up Dave Schwartz.

European and U.S. Sashes For IML and Drummer

The roster of contestants for the 1996 International Mr. Leather contest next May took another leap forward last weekend as sashes (or their equivalents) were awarded to men in Amsterdam (Mr. Leather Europe and Mr. Europe Drummer), Guerneville (Mr. Triple R Leather), at Wolf's Den in Palm Springs (Mr. Palm Springs Leather) and at the Silver Star Saloon in Tulsa (Mr. Oklahoma State Leather).

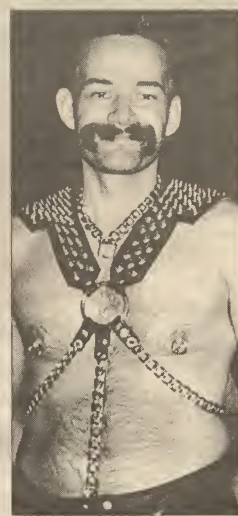
And in Amsterdam, in con-

junction with the ECMC's (European Council of Motorcycle Club's) annual get-together hosted by Motor Sports Club Amsterdam, 24-year-old Antonio Sanchez of Madrid won both titles over some 24 contestants from Germany, Norway, Sweden, England, Scotland, Finland, Spain, Italy and other countries. The first runner-up in the Mr. Leather Europe competition was American-born Ray Lamb (Mr. Leather Munich), and the second runner-up was Frank Betcher of Dusseldorf, Germany.

Mr. Leather Europe was selected by judges, Mr. Drummer Europe by audience votes. Mr. Sanchez is a member of MSC Spain, in addition to being a biker and bodybuilder. He was the crowd favorite from the start. His prizes entitle him to represent Europe at both IML and Drummer. After this year, the Mr. Leather Europe contest will be held in the country of the previous year's winner, so start making your plans now for Mr. Europe Leather 1996 in Madrid.

Int'l. Mr. Drummer, as always, will be held in Amsterdam, the European office of *Drummer* Magazine. Mr. Sanchez has already begun taking those crash courses in English.

One of the contestants in Europe was a 73-year-old leatherman from Scotland, "Poppy," who won the "Friendship" Award (aka Mr. Congeniality). The contest itself was in English throughout, and at least a dozen language interpreters were on hand along with deaf signers for the hearing impaired. A representative of the Amsterdam City Council hosted a reception in the mayor's office for the meet and greet. One of the Spanner defendants was on hand for the occasion, and he expressed appreciation for all the support shown by American leather/SM people for their fundraising in support of the forthcoming court



The first Mr. Palm Springs Leather is Beau Baker, who won the competition that garnered four contestants at Wolf's Den, Saturday, November 4.



This "on the edge" black-and-white photo by Brad Braverman is just one of many in the show currently hanging in the Mark I. Chester Gallery. The show opens Friday, November 10 (1900) and is up through December 3.

battle.

The dungeon party was held in the chapel of a deserted castle and members of MSC Amsterdam hosted the banquet wearing only black aprons! Our own Intl. Ms. Leather, Pat Baille, served as a judge with our own Irwin Kane. European representatives were also on the panel. IML '93 Henri Ten Have, still very much alive and active, co-emceed both contests. I'll have photos of the winners for you next week. Judging from the word-of-mouth of those in attendance, it was a fabulous weekend, earning five stars from all who attended!

Eventures in Leather

Unless otherwise indicated all phone numbers are in the 415 area code.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Meet and greet contestants and judges for the Mr. SF Bear contest tonight at the Lone Star from 1900 to 2200 for only \$5. Intl. Mr. Bear '95 Will Pettite, the head judge, will be here for the competition which takes place on Sunday (also at the Lone Star).

Basket contest at The Edge bar tonight, benefiting the AIDS Emergency Fund. Beer bust for \$6 from 2000 to 2400. The contest is at 2200 with Danny Williams emceeing. Win \$100 and photos by Joe Balducchi.

Friday, Nov. 10

Philip Turner celebrates the 20th anniversary of his 25th birthday at the SF Eagle tonight from 2000 to 2300. It's a benefit, of course, with lots of surprises and great entertainment.

"The Cost of Desire" B&W photo show at the Mark I. Chester Gallery, 1229 Folsom St., opens tonight with exciting work by Jim James, Brad Braverman and Rick Castro. Meet the artists from 1900 to 2300 (\$5 donation) tonight and again tomorrow from 1600 to 1800. Hangs until Dec. 3. This one is very, very

hot; Brad Braverman shines in this presentation!

Weekend, Nov. 11-12

Cal Eagles MC 500 overnigher to Triple R in Guerneville. Only \$55, with a catered dinner, fun, swimming, etc. You can still get in on the action by calling 267-0560.

Karen Taylor passes her Ms. Washington State Leather sash to a worthy successor (there are five contestants!) this weekend with a three-day production culminating with the contest at Neighbors Bar in Seattle Saturday night. Always a fun leather time in Seattle.

Gay Pride celebration in Palm Springs with a mammoth dance party high atop the city (12,800 ft. up) on the Aerial Tramway on Saturday night (from 2200 to 0400 the next morning). The \$20 charge includes food and drink. Party at Choices on Friday night and Pride T-Dance at CC Construction on Sunday. Call (619) 696-5044 if you need more details.

Saturday, Nov. 11

Mr. Cheeks & Chaps Brian hosts a beer bust at the Eagle tonight (2000-2300) benefiting the MCC Community Fund, with entertainment by the Long Branch Band (they're hot!). In addition, emceeing and auctioning by Mr. SF Leather Wolf "Cakes" Mirasol.

Get there early; this one will be a sellout.

Sunday, Nov. 12

I hear the Inter-Club Fund is having a beer bust at the Eagle today, but as usual, no press release or details. After all these years, you'd think those ICF reps would wise up and get with the program!

Bare Chest Calendar '96 guys travel to Los Angeles to sell and autograph the calendar at The Faultline patio's beer bust all this afternoon. If you're in the vicinity, drop in.

Alameda Co. Leather Corps "Beauty's Revenge Revisited" at the Turf Club, 1500-1800, \$5 beer bust. You can bid to turn your fave leather man or woman into a "beauty." Steve Gaynes and Omar emcee.

Mr. SF Bear contest at The Lone Star from 1500 to 1900, with a \$6 beer bust benefiting the Godfather Service Fund. It will be dedicated to the memory of Paul Mastrioni, the first to win the title.

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Golden Gate Guards beer bust at the Eagle tonight. Perhaps the long-awaited video of their weekend run last month will be shown, with Andy "La Vie en Rose" in drag! Can you stand it? ▼



It was leather splendor in Guerneville for the Mr. Triple R Leather competition, held last Saturday, November 4. (L. to R.) Michael Christensen, Scott Voelte, Garrett Hall, Brody Tennyson and Dave Schwartz.

For Guerneville's Rich Wilson of the Triple R Resort and Ed Keller, president of the Palm Springs Leather Order of the Desert, it was the first effort for two titles, and right about now, both Rich and Ed can relax and bask in the accolades they deserve for their hard work and dedication in staging these competitions.

In Tulsa, Intl. Mr. Leather '95 Larry Everett was pleased with the record turnout for the Mr. Oklahoma State Leather contest. My answering machine was virtually overflowing with favorable encomia about all three competitions.

In Tulsa, the first wheel-chair bound aspirant to the IML title was chosen by judges Intl. Mr. Drummer David Walker, Lance Brittain, Cindy Bookout, J.D. Buchert, Jill Carter, Dustin Logan and Bob Ewing. Arlen Spinter (also Mr. Tulsa Leather) will carry the banner to Chicago next May. The first runner-up was Victor Reyes, and the second runner-up was Danny Pelletier, all of Tulsa. There were no contestants from Oklahoma City this year. Great reports emanating from Tulsa for this great weekend.

There were five contestants at the Triple R Leather contest in Guerneville on Saturday, November 4 - Garrett Hall, Brody Tennyson, Michael Christensen, Dave Schwartz and Scott Voelte. And when judges Jo Leroux, Mike Weber, Glen Morris and Rich Wilson finished with the judging in the main categories, Scott Voelte emerged as the winner. Michael Christensen took first runner-up, Dave Schwartz, second runner-up. Scott will be the first ever leatherman from the Russian River area to compete in Chicago.

In Palm Springs, the "Sweatin' Bullets" weekend, put on by the Palm Springs Leather Order of the Desert (PS/LOD), was a smash hit, even though the Palm Springs Rodeo was in progress. The town, in pristine condition I might add, was overrun with leathermen and cowboys, all of whom enjoyed the finest weather ever. The four contestants (Phil Holding, Wayne Smith, Beau Baker and John Valassis) went through the judging paces facing Duane Parmenter, Al Reese, Steve Reiswig, "Iron" Mike Pereyra and Cub

Hansen on Saturday afternoon at The Villa.

Later that night, a record crowd was on hand at Wolf's Den for the leather appearance and speeches. In the end, Beau Baker took the title with Phil Holding, the runner-up. Beau also holds the distinction of being the first-ever leatherman from Palm Springs to compete for the IML title. Chicago will be very, very interesting next May.

In closing, it is with deep regret that I report that Richard Reynolds, long the guiding force in the leather community in San Diego, passed away October 31 from a heart attack. And only three days later, Wayne Griffith, a very talented leather designer who owned Wayne's Leather Rack in Los Angeles, also passed away. The entire leather community mourns the loss of these two men who gave so much to their leather brothers and sisters. Their caring and generosity will be long remembered by many members of the leather community throughout the country. At my deadline, no information about memorial services for these dynamic leathermen was available. ▼

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Gay Games V Update

by Rick Thoman

Will Amsterdam be ready to host Gay Games V in 1998? Things looked less than hopeful for a while, but in recent weeks important steps have been taken in preparation for the event. Cable network A-2000, owned by Philips Media Networks and U.S. West International, has pledged \$390,000 in sponsorship, giving the Games a firm financial starting point. Furthermore, the Amsterdam City Council has finally agreed to kick in a grant of approximately \$590,000.

Organizers are hoping that other major sponsors will now fall in line, but they are leaving nothing to chance. With an estimated budget of \$8.52 million for the '98 Games, ProServ, the International sports marketing company, has been hired to market the Gay Games internationally in order to attract a greater number of potential sponsors.

The initial pledges have taken some pressure off Amsterdam organizers, who have been struggling to reverse the tarnished image that city's gay community earned as the result of questionable financial practices at the 1994 Amsterdam EuroPride. Many people in and out of the European gay community are reluctant to open

their pocketbooks again, making fundraising efforts for the Gay Games a real struggle. Concerned parties are hopeful that the worldwide attention paid to the Games will pull in enough major corporate sponsors to make up for the "sluggish" response from private donors.

Gay Games V is scheduled to run August 1-8, 1998 in and around Amsterdam. The event will mark the first time Gay Games has been held off the North American continent. Organizers are expecting 10-12,000 athletes, 1,500 cultural participants, and as many as 100,000 spectators. The numbers will make it the largest amateur athletic event in sports history.

Over half the participants will come from the United States and Canada, but equally large contingents are expected from Western and Eastern Europe, making the '98 Games the most "international" ever. Organizers are hopeful they'll be able to offer special "scholarships" to people from regions of the world underrepresented at previous Gay Games. Those countries include Surinam, Dutch Antilles and others from Africa and Indonesia.

Many athletes are already training for the wide range of scheduled sports activities, which will include track & field, basketball, physique, cycling, squash,

marathon, bowling, power lifting, wrestling, softball, tennis, triathlon, soccer, volleyball, water polo and swimming. Ice hockey, judo, karate, martial arts, billiards, badminton, table tennis and sport climbing are still under consideration. Also under consideration are rowing, surfing, bridge, chess and ballroom dancing (a European favorite). Activities not included in the '98 Games are golf, racquetball, aerobics, in-line skating, flag football and figure skating, which went over well in its Gay Games debut last year in New York.

The Federation of Gay Games will hold its annual meeting in Amsterdam this week (November 5-12) and finalize the sporting events to be included in the '98 competitions. A tour of venues, sports, cultural sites and discussion of a registration timeline are on the meeting agenda. Results of this meeting will be presented at the next Team San Francisco general membership meeting, to be held December 9, at 3 p.m. at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center on Collingwood Street in the Castro.

In addition to their search for sponsors, Amsterdam Games organizers have been busy with other important aspects of Gay Games V. They have elected a board of directors, and named 38-year-old former marketing director Marc Janssens as managing director. A logo incorporating a tulip, a triangle and the traditional interlocking rings of the Gay Games has been unveiled, as well as the theme "Friendship through culture and sports."

Furthermore, the search has begun for the army of 1,500 vol-



The author (right) in the 100-meter run.

unteers that will be needed for the 1998 opening. Organizers are also hoping residents will host athletes in their homes, which would greatly reduce stress on Amsterdam's commercial lodgings.

While problems remain at this stage of Gay Games V, great strides are being made to ensure what one Amsterdam official said will be "the most exciting Gay Games ever." ▼

Next Games in San Jose?

Will San Jose be host of Gay Games VI in the year 2002? The San Jose Sports Authority, which has been instrumental in securing future sporting events such as the National Figure Skating Championships and the NCM basketball finals, as well as luring professional hockey, soccer and basketball to the city, has expressed an interest in hosting the Gay Games after Amsterdam. Wendy Stancer of the SJ Sports Authority said San Jose was interested in learning how to submit a bid to the proper governing body and was enthusiastic about the potential positive effect the Gay Games could have on the Bay Area if it returned to the place of its inception. So far the Federation of Gay Games has not commented on San Jose's interest, but earlier, Federation board member and Team San Francisco co-chair Susan Kennedy expressed a desire to bring the Games home for its 20th anniversary. (The Gay Games were started by Dr. Tom Waddell in San Francisco in 1982.) ▼

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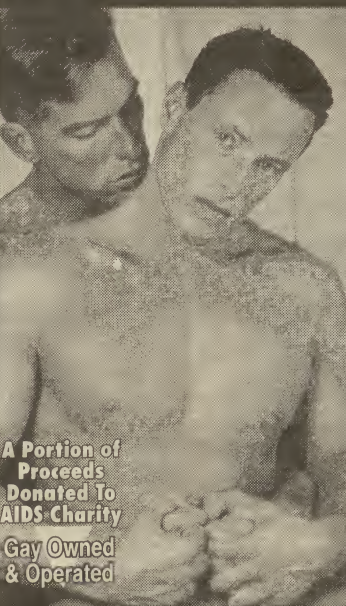
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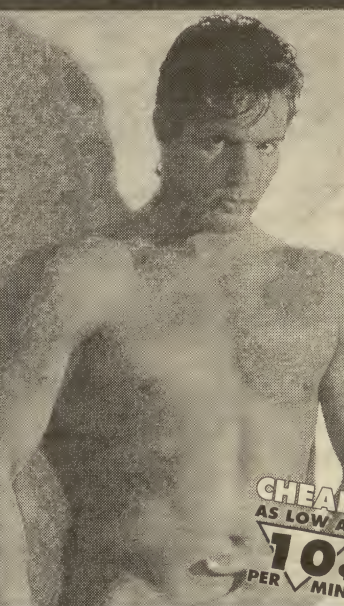
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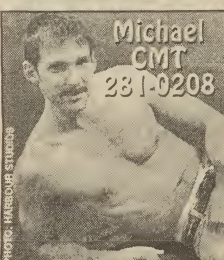
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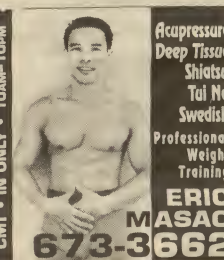
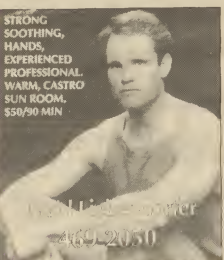
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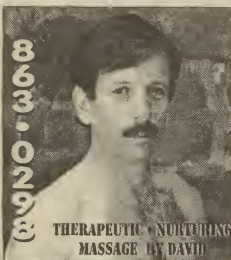
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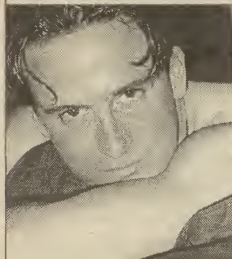


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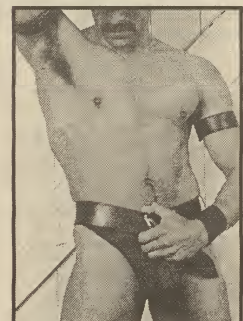
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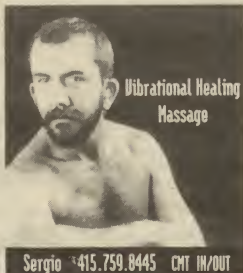
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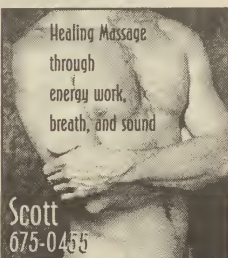


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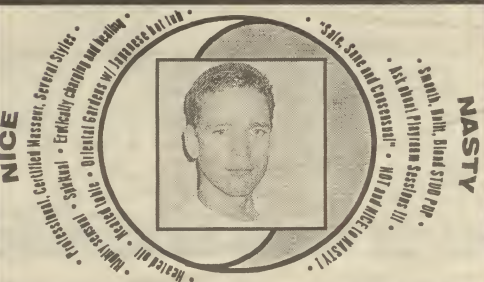
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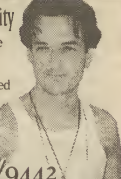
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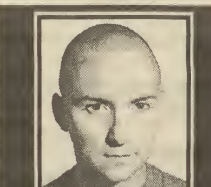
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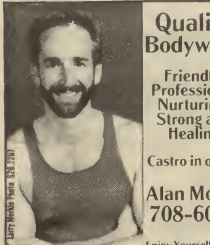
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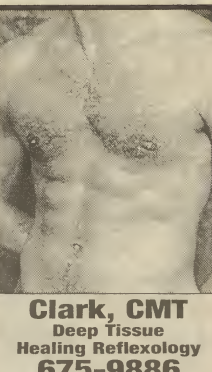
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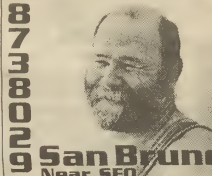
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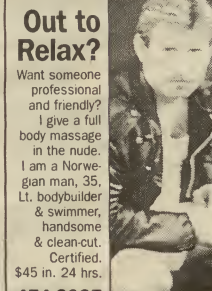
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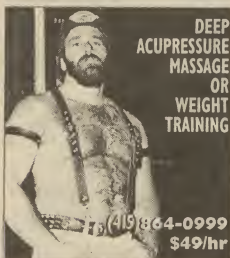
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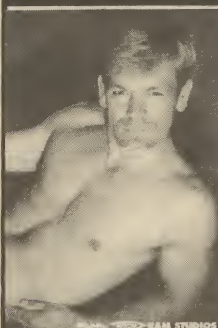
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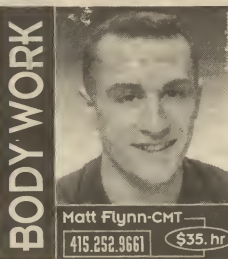
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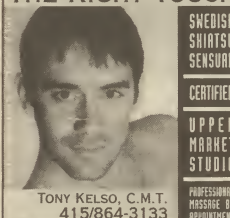


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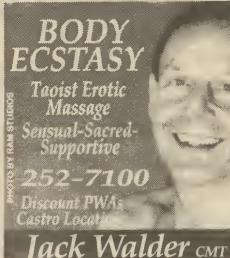
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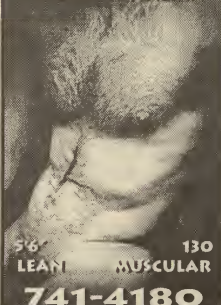
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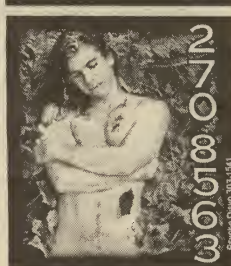
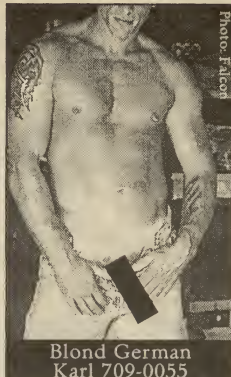
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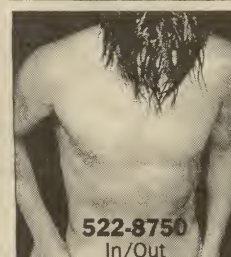
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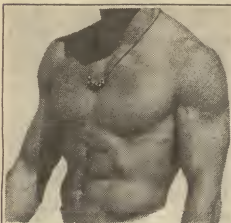
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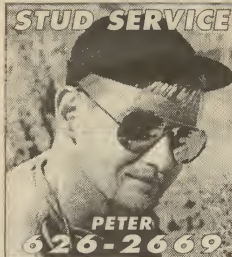
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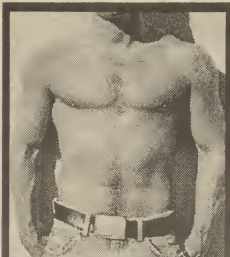
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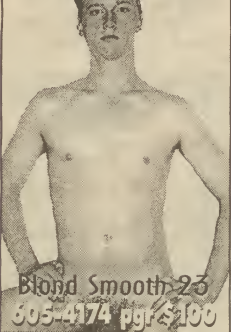


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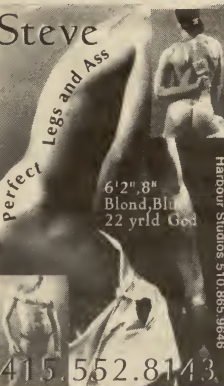
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